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# DON'T FALL FOR LABOUR'S HIDDEN £8.5BN 'TAX TRAP'

By **Sam Lister**  
Political Editor

**LABOUR is accused of hiding an £8.5billion "tax trap" in their manifesto.**

Jeremy Hunt has gone on the offensive, attacking Sir Keir Starmer's desire to hit private schools, energy firms and non-doms with extra levies to pay for his plans.

Labour's blueprint confirms tax rises that will push the burden to a record high. Rishi Sunak has pledged to make £17billion of tax cuts.

Experts warn that council tax, pensions allowances and

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# Judge Shirley tuk-tuks into some sightseeing with fiancé on holiday

THEY might only have been a quickstep away, but Strictly star Shirley Ballas put her dancing feet up and took a tuk-tuk when she and actor fiancé Danny Taylor went to see the sights on hols.

The couple hitched a ride along the waterfront after their Mediterranean cruise ship docked in the Portuguese capital of Lisbon yesterday.

And, judging by their smiles, they are loving having some quality time together.

Shirley, 63, Strictly's head judge since 2017, has confirmed she'll be back on the BBC show this autumn. But she also said she wants to "balance things a bit better" and "take more time off to go on holiday".

There were whispers she and Danny, 50, had ended their relationship. But

By **Chris Riches**

these happy snaps, showing the pair strolling arm in arm and Shirley flashing a peace sign, put those rumours to bed.

The couple have been sharing their cruising experiences with Shirley's 300,000 followers, writing online: "We've explored, we've sang and we've dined."

The busy pair have been dating for five years but Shirley has said they rarely get to spend time together and are not thinking of tying the knot just yet.

She said: "We have a unique, unconventional relationship. It's built on trust. There is no point in being under each other's feet when you haven't got time for each other. At our age, it works."



Quality time... smiling Shirley on tuk-tuk. Her peace sign, left. With Danny, right

# Gio waltzes on with Strictly stars

GIOVANNI Pernice is still in step with his old Strictly pals despite being axed from the show.

The 33-year-old professional will host dance classes for members of the public later this month.

They will see him star alongside Shirley Ballas and Anton Du Beke, who remain on the judging panel for the next series.

Giovanni has already worked on some dance workshops for the company Ballando, which runs them across the country.

Fans spoke of their excitement after the Italian promoted them on social media. One commented: "Can't wait. Gio is the best teacher."

Another wrote: "How lucky are we to be taught by the best." To which Ballando replied: "Very!"

Giovanni and Anton, 57 – who have made travel

By **Ashleigh Rainbird**

programmes together – are also continuing their nationwide summer tour. On Monday the BBC confirmed that Giovanni would not be back on Strictly after nine years as one of its pros.

He is accused of "abusive or threatening behaviour" on the show, allegations he strongly rejects.

A legal firm acting on behalf of the complainants says the broadcaster is "evidence gathering" but the BBC has not confirmed any probe has begun.

Actress Amanda Abbington, 52, was partnered with Giovanni last year but pulled out for "personal reasons". She has since claimed she had "mild PTSD" because of his "awful" behaviour towards her. However, he has been defended by his former

partner Debbie McGee, 65, widow of magician Paul Daniels, who danced to the final with him in 2017.

She said: "I am heartbroken for Giovanni Pernice. My experience on Strictly will always be happy and life changing."

"Gio nurtured me through my grief and gave me confidence I could do things I thought was beyond me."

She is the first of his celebrity partners to speak out in his defence after the bullying claims.

In 2021, Giovanni lifted the Strictly Glitterball alongside EastEnders star Rose Ayling-Ellis, 29, who was the first deaf contestant to win.



Classes... Giovanni Pernice



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capital gains are all up for grabs if Sir Keir takes power. The Chancellor said the Labour leader refused to rule out taxing "your job, your home, your pension, your car, your business".

He added: "This is Labour's Tax Trap Manifesto which contains only tax rises and no tax cuts. Under Labour's published plans, taxes will rise to levels never before seen in this country."

"But that's only the tax rises they're telling you about – it doesn't include the £2,094 of tax rises they'll need to fill their £38.5-billion unfunded spending commitments."

"So what's most important is not what's in Labour's manifesto, but it's what they have kept out of it. Be under no illusion, from cradle to grave you will pay more taxes under Labour."

The Prime Minister said the manifesto "would mean the highest taxes in history" and added: "If you think they'll win, start saving." At the G7 summit, Mr Sunak added: "Our manifesto has got a ton of bold ideas and it represents a clear plan to deliver a more secure future for the country."

"That starts with cutting tax for people in work, cutting taxes for the self-employed, cutting taxes for pensioners, cutting taxes for people buying their first home and cutting taxes for families."

"In contrast, the Labour manifesto contains no big ideas and makes it crystal clear that the tax burden is rising to the highest

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# 'Labour tax-trap manifesto means taxes at levels never seen before'

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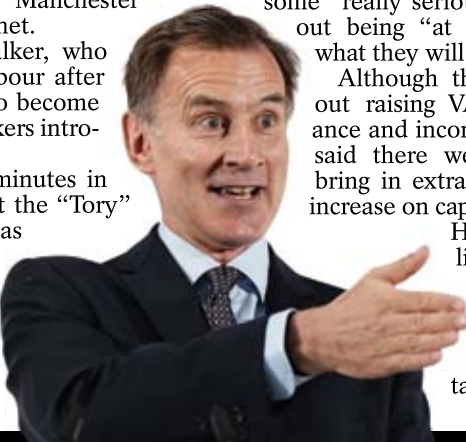
The Conservatives believe Labour's plans suggest the tax burden will rise to 37.4% of national income.

Sir Keir launched his party's manifesto at Co-op's headquarters in Manchester flanked by his Shadow Cabinet.

Iceland boss Richard Walker, who switched his support to Labour after the Tories rejected his bid to become an MP, was among the speakers introducing the glitzy event.

Sir Keir was just a few minutes in when he was heckled about the "Tory" plans, but insisted he has turned Labour from being a party of protest to a "party of power". But he

**On the offensive...  
Chancellor Jeremy Hunt**



faced repeated questions about his refusal to be clear with the public about his true intentions if he becomes Prime Minister.

Challenged about the absence of new policies he took a jibe at Reform UK leader Nigel Farage, who is standing in Essex. Sir Keir said: "If you want politics as pantomime, I hear Clacton is nice this time of year."

He was asked if it was a "Captain Caution" manifesto, but insisted it was a "serious plan for the future of our country".

The document contained almost no new announcements and its costings showed the amount it plans to claw in with its plan to hit private schools with VAT, penalise energy companies and increase levies on non-doms.

Paul Johnson, director of the Institute for Fiscal Studies, said Labour had diagnosed some "really serious" problems without being "at all specific" about what they will actually spend.

Although the party has ruled out raising VAT, national insurance and income tax, Mr Johnson said there were other ways to bring in extra cash, including an increase on capital gains tax.

He said: "You could limit the allowances that you get for pension savings so there's always ways of raising taxes beyond what

MARGARET Thatcher once said that "the problem with socialism is that eventually you always run out of other people's money". But in this election campaign, Sir Keir Starmer has presented himself as an enemy of profligacy, refusing to make uncostered spending pledges.

Labour is a changed party, he declares, and is now infused by fiscal restraint.

"We are pro-business and pro-worker, the party of wealth creation," he says, words that would have been unthinkable under his quasi-Marxist predecessor Jeremy Corbyn.

The determination to embrace responsibility has led to the creation of an ultra-cautious manifesto, which is long of hopeful rhetoric but short on specific proposals for action.

Despite all their moans over the last 14 years about "Tory cuts", Labour have set out no plans for any immediate big increases in spending. Similarly, the only

they have ruled out." Mr Johnson warned that Labour's claims that it will meet spending increases through growth cannot be met in the short term.

He said its plans could increase national income but were "not something that will lead to a boom in the next few years".

Labour has committed to maintaining the pension triple lock for the next five years but admitted those retiring only on the state

**COMMENT**

**LEO MCKINSTRY**

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tax rises that Labour will introduce as soon as they enter office are contained in a comparatively modest package worth £8.6 billion, made up of new charges on non-doms and overseas property investors, as well as the extension of VAT to private school fees. The money raised will be used to boost teacher recruitment and expand NHS capacity.

Starmer warned that, in the longer term, more state expenditure can only be funded by economic growth.

In a further departure from traditional socialism, he maintains that British people and businesses are already taxed enough, hence his refusal to back any hikes in VAT, income tax, corporation tax

pension will start paying income tax for the first time.

Silver Voices director Dennis Reed said: "Older people will be satisfied that the triple lock has been confirmed for the whole of the next Parliament."

"But we are worried whoever wins the election will put the state pension system under scrutiny in order to balance the books. Silver Voices oppose any suggestions state



# OF A STARMER GOVERNMENT

## STARMER'S POLICY PITCH TO VOTERS

### ECONOMY

Economic stability is the party's headline pitch to voters, with a pledge to cap corporation tax at its current rate of 25% to give businesses long-term certainty.

A national wealth fund will be established to "support growth" and deliver private and public investment, including £2.5bn to rebuild the steel industry, £1.8bn to upgrade ports and build supply chains, and £1.5bn for the automotive industry.

Labour has also ruled out raising the rates of income tax, national insurance and VAT.

It has committed to VAT on private school fees, abolishing non-dom tax status, and closing "loopholes" in the windfall tax on oil and gas companies.

In total, Labour plans to raise more than £7bn in revenue from tax, its costings document confirms.

### HEALTH

The NHS would shift "away from a model geared towards late diagnosis and treatment, to a model where more services are delivered in local communities".

Labour has pledged to cut waiting times with an extra 40,000 NHS appointments a week, using evenings and weekends. Cracking down on tax avoidance and non-dom loopholes will pay for the extra appointments, the party said.

It said it would recruit 8,500 mental health staff and bring in a Fit For the Future fund to double CT and MRI scanners to catch cancer earlier. A dentistry rescue plan would provide 700,000 more appointments.

### ENERGY

Great British Energy, a state-owned clean power firm, would

### CAR BAN BY 2030

By Neil Lancefield

LABOUR has pledged to reinstate the 2030 ban on new petrol and diesel cars.

The move would reverse the Tories' decision last September to delay it until 2035.

Labour also vowed to roll out more charge points.

Motoring bodies called for more government incentives to help drivers go electric, such as grants for the cheaper end of the market.

The RAC's Simon Williams said: "Electric vehicles are still far too expensive."

Earlier this month, Auto Trader said there were just 10,000 used electric options under £15,000 – compared to 350,000 petrol or diesel.

**40,000**

New NHS appointments a week promised by Sir Keir

be funded by a windfall tax on oil and gas firms. Labour would invest an extra £6.6bn over the next Parliament to upgrade five million homes to cut bills.

Grants and low-interest loans will be offered to home owners through the Warm Homes Plan to invest in improvements such as insulation, solar panels and low-carbon heating.

### IMMIGRATION

A pledge to scrap the "wasteful" Rwanda scheme and use the savings to set up the Border Security Command to crack down on people smugglers.

A returns enforcement unit with 1,000 extra staff would fast-track the removal of asylum seekers without the right to be in the UK to safe countries.

### HOUSING

Local authorities would be funded to improve the condition of roads and ensure vital upgrades to infrastructure are delivered on time and to budget.

Planning rules would be updated to help build 1.5 million new homes on the "grey belt".

### TRANSPORT

Labour pledged to tackle the soaring cost of car insurance, fix a million potholes every year and overhaul the railways.

### EDUCATION

Some 6,500 new teachers would be recruited and 3,000 primary school-based nurseries created.

It has also pledged to have free breakfast clubs at every primary school.

And it aims to guarantee all 18 to 21-year-olds have training, apprenticeships or help to find work.

### POLICE

A neighbourhood policing guarantee to restore patrols to town centres by recruiting thousands of officers, community support officers and special constables.

### DEFENCE

An "unshakeable" commitment to Nato and increasing defence spending to 2.5% of GDP. Also a "Martyn's Law" to help protect against terror attacks.

### FOREIGN POLICY

Labour will keep backing Ukraine against Russia and support recognising a Palestinian state as part of a Middle East peace process.

### PEERS

Legislation would be brought forward immediately to abolish hereditary peers from the House of Lords. Peers must retire at the end of the Parliament in which they turn 80.



My vision...Rishi Sunak at G7 leaders' summit in Italy. Above, Keir Starmer and Angela Rayner in Manchester

or national insurance during the next Parliament. But once Starmer and Rachel Reeves are in Downing Street, it will be hellishly difficult to uphold fiscal discipline.

The weight of expectations for a vast increase in "resources" in the public sector will be enormous, particularly from Labour's allies among pressure groups and their paymasters in the trade unions.

Moreover, the bills for the NHS and the welfare system will keep rising, stoked by Labour's failure to adopt any serious programme of reform and the party's adherence to the fashionable obsession with mental health.

In addition, Labour is planning a massive extension of civic bureaucracy, including a plethora of new bodies like the National Infrastructure Council and the Great British Energy Company.

It is almost inevitable that growth will be more sluggish than Starmer promises,

not least because Labour legislation will worsen the burden of regulation on businesses.

Something will have to give, and that something will be tax.

The Tories caused a minor storm last week by claiming that every household will have to pay an additional £2,000 in tax to meet Labour's uncoded promises.

The real tax bills are likely to be higher. Chancellor Jeremy Hunt was almost certainly correct when he said yesterday that under Labour "taxes will rise to levels never seen before in this country".

As he pointed out, the Labour manifesto contained not a single proposal for any tax cut, nor did it rule out future taxes on pensions, cars, insurance, jobs or homes.

Every Labour government in history has ended up in financial trouble.

Sir Keir Starmer, despite his current makeover, will be no different.

Brits within an inch of their lives." And John O'Connell, chief executive of the TaxPayers' Alliance, said: "Taxpayers hoping for change from an ever-rising tax burden will be bitterly disappointed."

He said the manifesto "leaves the door open to alternative ways of tapping up workers, families and businesses".

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pension age should be raised or that means testing should be introduced."

Former Labour Shadow Chancellor Ed Balls said the manifesto "will be seen as a straitjacket" – with the commitment not to raise income tax, VAT or national insurance – making the first year in power "very difficult". Work and Pensions Secretary Mel Stride rapped: "Labour's manifesto is nothing but a full-throated commitment to taxing

## Left's sex law reforms are blasted

By Sam Lister

said the proposal contradicted the party's support for the Cass review into children's gender services, which warned against a ban.

Labour's manifesto also includes a vow to simplify the process of legally changing gender and ending the need for two doctors and a panel of experts to be involved.

She added: "Labour election pledges on sex and gender are deeply worrying for anyone campaigning for sex-based rights."



CAMPAIGNERS have attacked Labour plans to outlaw any attempt to change someone's sexual orientation or gender.

They say a ban on controversial "conversion therapy" will stop therapists helping distressed children to be comfortable in their own bodies.

Miriam Cates, right, Tory candidate for Penistone and Stocksbridge, South Yorks, said such an "ideologically" driven law would be impossible to define without harming people and eroding free-speech.

Maya Forstater, of charity Sex Matters,

LABOUR promises to halve violence against women and girls, protect against sexual harassment and ensure everyone feels safe to walk the streets.

But it also pledges to make it simpler for a man to get a certificate saying he is a woman. When faced with rapists who want to be in women's prisons, cross-dressers in women's changing rooms and men with mental health conditions reacting angrily when blocked from the ladies' loos, Sir

### COMMENT

MAYA FORSTATER  
CEO, Sex Matters



Keir Starmer's compassion for women evaporates and he becomes vague and evasive. Labour is rightly proud of the Equality Act, but it is clear the law that protects women needs strengthening.





Huge error...Craig Williams

## Election day flutter aide condemned by Sunak

By **Steph Spyro**

RISHI Sunak has branded his aide's decision to place a bet on the date of the General Election "very disappointing".

Craig Williams, who served as the Prime Minister's parliamentary private secretary, is facing a Gambling Commission probe after he admitted he "put a flutter" on voters heading to the polls in July – days before Mr Sunak named the date as July 4.

Speaking at the G7 summit yesterday, the PM said: "It's very disappointing news and you will have seen Craig Williams say that it was a huge error of judgment."

But he refused to comment any further while the probe is ongoing.

Mr Williams, the Tory candidate for Montgomeryshire and Glyndwr, has apologised for placing the bet but has refused to say whether he did so on the basis of insider information.

### Payout

He is alleged to have gambled £100 at a branch of Ladbrokes in his constituency with odds of 5-1, which would have won him a £500 payout.

Yesterday he said: "I clearly made a huge error of judgment, that's for sure and I apologise."

But Foreign Secretary Lord Cameron yesterday condemned his actions as "clearly very foolish".

He also told BBC Breakfast the politician was already a Tory candidate and said: "I don't think we can change that."

But Rhun ap Iorwerth, leader of Welsh party Plaid Cymru, said there were "very serious questions about the propriety of him remaining as a candidate".

And the Lib-Dems have called for a Cabinet Office inquiry to look into exactly what Mr Williams knew at the time that he placed the bet.

# Reform overtake

By **Katie Harris**  
Political Reporter

NIGEL Farage's party were ahead of the Conservatives, a poll last night revealed.

A YouGov survey found Reform has increased support by two points to 19% with the Tories on 18%. Conservative strategists will be particularly concerned because it was carried out after Rishi Sunak launched his party's manifesto on Tuesday.

It is the first time a poll has shown Reform ahead of the Tories.

Nigel Farage boldly claimed Reform UK was now the "challengers to Labour".

Anthony Wells, head of European political and social research at YouGov, said: "Obviously all polls have a margin of error, so we can't conclude for certain that more voters now back Nigel Farage's party over the Conservatives."

"But what it does make clear is that at the very least the Conservatives and Reform are at a similar level of support to each other. That in itself is remarkable given how close we are to an election when we might otherwise have expected smaller parties' votes to be squeezed."

Overall Labour retained a 19-point lead over the Conservatives, while the Liberal Democrats were down one point at 14%.

Asked to consider what they had seen or heard about the Conservatives' plans for government, only 13% of voters said they would be good for them and their family.

### Borders

In a video on X, Mr Farage said: "We have now overtaken the Conservatives, we're in second position in the country."

"In fact we're leading the Conservative Party in every single region apart from Scotland."

"This is the inflection point. We are the challengers to Labour and we're on our way."

Earlier, Mr Farage declared he wanted to lead a "national opposition" to Labour if Sir Keir Starmer won the election.

The Reform UK leader, who is eyeing a reverse takeover of the Tories to form a new centre-right grouping, said the shake-up was near.

He said the Conservative Party "may well be dead, this may well be the end of their journey".

The Brexit architect told LBC: "Something new is going to emerge on the centre-right, I don't know what it's called. But do I think I'm capable of leading a national opposition to a Labour Party with a big majority, where I can stand up and hold them to account? Yes."

Pressed on if he would lead a merged party between Reform and the Tories, Mr Farage said: "Yes. I would be prepared to lead the centre-right in this country. A centre-right that stands up for

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Campaign...John Major and Margaret Thatcher in 1992

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business, that believes in borders and that isn't scared of standing up for the British people."

Mr Farage added: "The election's over. Labour have won. The real question here is, who forms the opposition? Without the Reform voice, without many millions of votes, and representatives in parliament, the Conservatives will be incapable of providing opposition."

"Why? Because they hate each other. They've spent most of the last four years fighting each

other rather than running the country." Mr Farage, who compared himself to Margaret Thatcher, has previously set out his goal to mount a reverse takeover of the Tories.

He made a return to frontline politics as Reform UK's leader earlier this month and is standing in Clacton at the General Election.

He also insisted he would not "surrender to the mob" after having a milkshake and other objects thrown at him while on the campaign trail. He

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**plotting. She said: "The polls are predicting a Labour landslide but no one should ever take voters for granted, and that includes journalists."**

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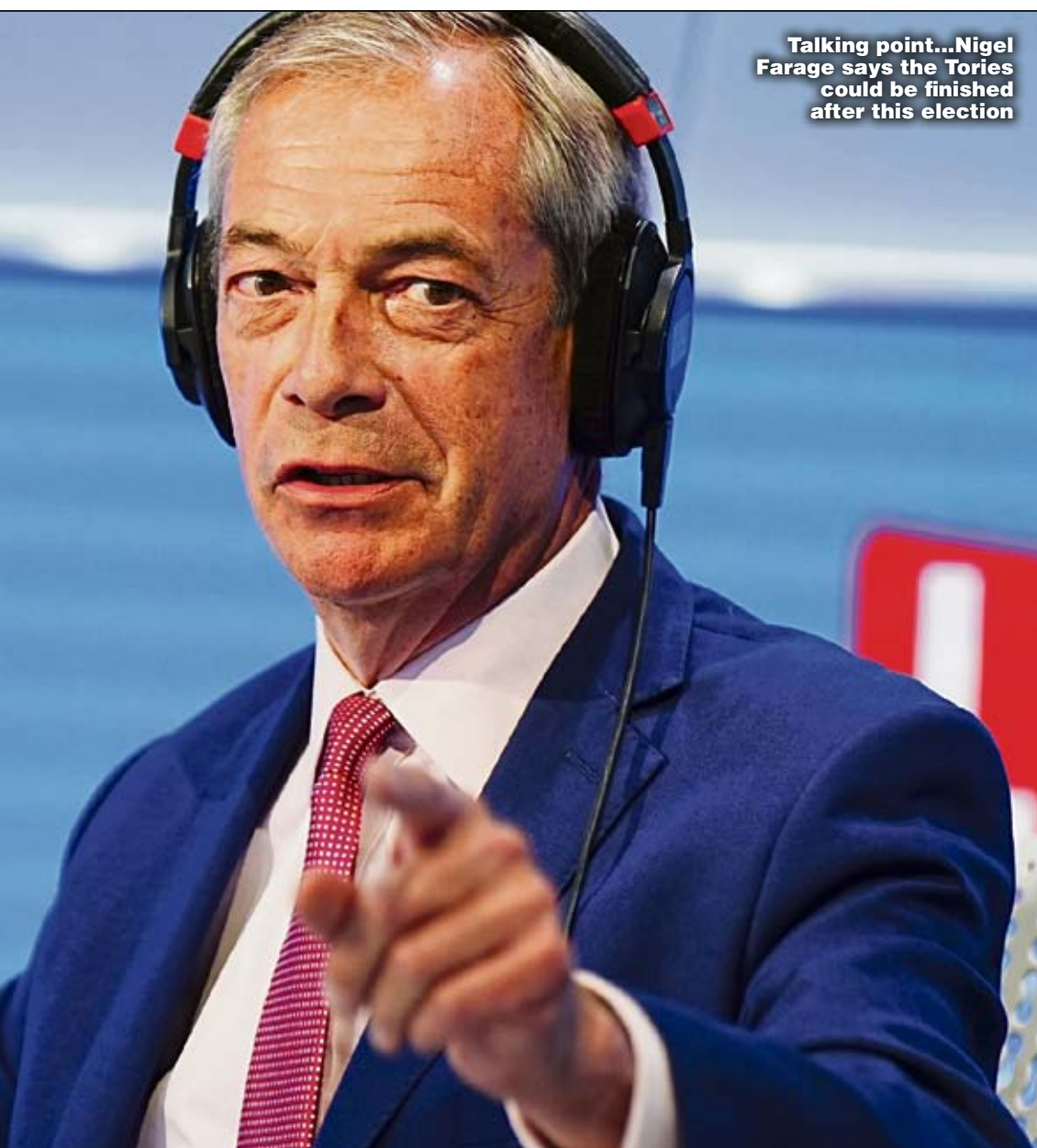
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TO BE LEADER OF OPPOSITION

# Tories for first time



Talking point...Nigel Farage says the Tories could be finished after this election



Stand-off...Julie Etchingham with party representatives at last night's ITV debate

## Labour plans re-entry to EU, claims Mordaunt

CABINET Minister Penny Mordaunt said Labour would take Britain back into the EU by the back door in a heated election debate last night. Leaders of the four smaller parties admitted they all wanted to rejoin the bloc as they clashed over Brexit. On ITV last night, Labour's deputy leader Angela Rayner pledged her party would not seek to return the UK to the bloc – hours after Sir Keir Starmer vowed to do “anything” to make travel into the union easier. In a seven-way TV showdown, the parties were asked if they would ever rejoin the EU or the single market.

### Botched

Ms Mordaunt replied: “No and if you have a Labour government they will take you back in. They will tie you on defence, on migration, on regulation without any of the benefits of membership.”

Ms Rayner insisted Labour would not rejoin and said there was “respect” for the result of the referendum which backed leave.

For the Liberal Democrats, Daisy Cooper said “at some point in the future I very much hope so”.

Carla Denyer, the leader of the Green party, said “yes when the time

By **Sam Lister**

is right”. Reform UK leader Nigel Farage said: “No, we are free.

“Unfortunately we are governed incompetently, but at least they are our mistakes and not somebody else's.”

Earlier, Sir Keir told LBC he would do “anything” to make it easier to travel “whether it's in Europe or abroad”.

The Labour leader criticised the terms of Britain's departure from the bloc. He said: “I think with the deal that we've got, that Boris Johnson negotiated, we got a botched deal, and that has had an impact.

“And that's why what you see in our manifesto today, as part of our growth plan, is a better deal with the EU.

“And that is an essential part of our growth plan – to make trading easier, to ensure we could do some of the research and development we need, and education, but also crucially in defence and security.

“So I accept we've got a botched deal that Boris Johnson inflicted upon us.

“We could do better than that. And that is essential for the future plans that we have for creating wealth and for growing our economy.”

claimed he was more targeted than other politicians as he was prepared to meet people. The ex-Ukip leader said: “I am the only political figure that walks into crowds. All the rest it's a factory with 20 people staff and ‘don't say a word or you'll be sacked’. It's all pretty false, isn't it?”

“Remember John Major in '92 went around the country to market squares, stood on a soap-box, did his pitch.

“Because of social media and because of a new,

very angry Left who think that the conservative opinion should not even be aired, John Major could not do today what he did in '92.”

He also said it was because he dared to “break the consensus” by speaking frankly on immigration. Mr Farage said: “I've wondered why are the Conservatives so wishy-washy. Why do the Conservatives in private, over a glass of something, say they believe in X but in public say Y? It's because they're scared.”

## Sir Ed brought to his knees in campaign assault course



Grass roots campaign...Sir Ed yesterday

SIR Ed Davey can't aim high so he goes low as he hits an assault course in his latest bid to draw attention to the Liberal Democrats' campaign.

The 58-year-old party leader clambered through a rope tunnel and scrambled over wooden obstacles as he got stuck in.

Asked if he had been practising, he laughed: “Does it look like I've practised?”

He was racing alongside Mike Martin, the Lib Dem parliamentary candidate for Tunbridge Wells, Kent, at Arena Pursuits in Wadsworth in the county yesterday.

The party is trailing its policies to boost education and schools support

By **Emily Braeger**

for young carers. Sir Ed also got a summer makeover on This Morning yesterday.

He appeared on ITV's flagship mid-morning show with hosts Cat Deeley and Ben Shephard to talk about the Lib Dems' plans for the General Election.

But talk soon turned to him finding the “perfect summer outfit for the campaign trial”.

After going off to get spruced up he unveiled his sharp new look on a catwalk with Jamelia's

Superstar playing in the background.

He seemed bashful as he showed off his new suit, fedora hat and sunglasses – but at least it got him a vote of approval from the hosts.

Ben, referencing the Lib Dem leader's campaign stunts, told him: “Ed, you've been falling off

paddleboards, swinging on things and this is the thing you're embarrassed by! You look fantastic!”

Cat added: “What a handsome devil!”

Brimming with ideas... after his TV makeover





From **Martyn Brown**  
in Puglia, Italy

RISHI Sunak yesterday warned tyrant Vladimir Putin he won't be able to outlast the Western alliance – as he hailed a “game-changing” £40million boost for Ukraine at the G7 summit.

The massive loan will be used to help rebuild the war-ravaged nation, paid for by using Russian assets frozen following the 2022 Kremlin-backed invasion.

The Prime Minister said Britain had led the way in securing the deal, announced last night.

He said the “unprecedented and complex” package had been two years in the making and would help thwart Putin's invaders.

Speaking to reporters at the two-day summit in Puglia, Italy, Mr Sunak said: “What we're announcing is a game-changing package of support for Ukraine that will be funded from the G7.

“And it will be funded by the profits on the seized Russian assets.

“It's fantastic news. It's something that I, personally, and the UK have been leading on and championing for some time now.

“So to get it over the line is obviously great news.

“And it just demonstrates the G7 is completely united in doing whatever it can and whatever it takes to support Ukraine to defend against Russian aggression.

## Sanctions

“The money is provided by the G7 as a loan and then secured against the profits of the assets that have been immobilised.”

Leaders from the US, France, Germany, Canada, Italy, Japan and the EU all backed the loan, which was officially announced by Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni.

Earlier, Mr Sunak and Western allies hit the Kremlin with 50 more sanctions to degrade Putin's war machine.

New targets include ships in the despot's shadow fleet, institutions at the heart of Russia's financial system and suppliers supporting its military production.

The PM had already announced a new £242million assistance package to Ukraine, to support immediate humanitarian, energy and stabilisation needs.

At the start of the summit, he joined Ms Meloni, US President Joe Biden, French President Emmanuel Macron, EU leader Ursula von der Leyen, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, Canadian PM Justin Trudeau and Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida at the Borgo Egnazia resort for the “family photo” of leaders.

Mr Sunak also met Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelensky at the event.

He also said he had a “very good meeting” with Mr Macron but dodged questions about whether he had apologised for leaving last week's D-Day events early.

The UK and G7 leaders have been clear that Russia must pay for the damage it is causing Ukraine.

Russia's oil exports are Putin's most critical reve-

**World leaders...US President Joe Biden greets Rishi Sunak**

# £40million loan to

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## Hugs and smiles as Rishi gets kissy with Ms Meloni

From **Martyn Brown** in Puglia, Italy and **Katie Harris** in Westminster

AS political romances go, this one is truly blossoming.

It was clear to see from the affectionate embrace between Rishi Sunak and Giorgia Meloni at the welcome ceremony of the G7 summit yesterday.

The Prime Minister and his Italian counterpart put on a very friendly display at the gathering at the stunning Borgo Egnazia resort in Puglia.

Mr Sunak and Ms Meloni were pictured kissing, embracing and holding hands as they greeted one another in the Adriatic sunshine.

The pair, who were elected within days of each other in October 2022, have had a political relationship that has blossomed in the past 18 months, centred around the issue of immigration.

Ahead of the summit Mr Sunak announced an extra £250million for Ukraine and a plea urging world leaders to do “whatever it takes” to defeat Russia.

## Peace

Both Mr Sunak and Ms Meloni have been under pressure to deal with the number of illegal migrants on their country's shores, and stopping the boats has become a central pillar of their pitch to voters.

More than 145,000 people have reached Italy by sea so far this year, a sharp increase on the 88,000 the previous year.

In the UK, more than 10,000 crossed the Channel in small boats by the end of May – a record for the time of year. Nearly 30,000 crossed last year.

Illegal migration will come under scrutiny at the two-day summit.

It is also a chance to amplify Mr Sunak's prime ministerial credentials to divert attention from his decision to leave the D-Day events early.

The two priorities at the summit, also being attended by US President Joe Biden and France's Emmanuel Macron, will be to support Kyiv and to secure peace in the Middle East.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky and Pope Francis will also be at the event.

Mr Sunak persuaded leaders to leverage billions from immobilised Russian assets to support Ukraine.

port military goods from North Korea to Russia.

Mr Sunak said: “The UK will always stand shoulder to shoulder with Ukraine in its fight for freedom. Today we are once more ramping up economic pressure through sanctions to bear down on Russia's ability to fund its war machine.

## Fight

“Putin must lose, and cutting off his ability to fund a prolonged conflict is absolutely vital.”

So far, sanctions have deprived Russia of more than \$400billion worth of assets and revenues.

The UK has sanctioned more than 2,000 individuals and entities, including 29 banks and more than 130 oligarchs and their relatives.

Foreign Secretary David Cameron said: “UK sanctions are starving Putin of the revenue he desperately needs to fund his war chest and making it harder to supply his war machine.”

If election opinion polls are right, this could be Mr Sunak's last G7 as PM. But there will be a first for the summit today, when Pope Francis becomes the first pontiff to attend.

The religious leader will be there to address the issue of AI.

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Giorgia on my mind... Mr Sunak leans in for a peck on the cheek with Italy's Ms Meloni yesterday



## THROUGH SEIZED ASSETS

# help rebuild Ukraine



Talks...Ukraine's President Mr Zelensky meets Rishi Sunak yesterday

## Zelensky raps Russian 'terrorists' who killed nine in his home town

**FURIOUS** Volodymyr Zelensky yesterday branded Russia a nation of "terrorists" after a missile killed at least nine people and wounded 29 in his home city.

Officials said five children were among the injured in Kryvyi Rih, with four people reported missing.

After seeing the devastation, a clearly moved Ukrainian president said: "Every day and every hour, Russian terror proves that Ukraine, together with its partners, must strengthen air defence.

"My condolences to the families and loved ones of the victims. All necessary services are available on site.

### Missiles

"Modern air defence systems are able to provide maximum protection of people, our cities, and our positions. And we need them as much as possible."

In smouldering Kryvyi Rih, emergency services, police and volunteers were seen combing through the wreckage.

Search dogs were also brought to seek out survivors beneath the rubble of a residential building.

A video posted by Ukraine's state emergency service DSNS showed an injured woman being carried from the wreckage on a stretcher.

The strike came amid another wave of attacks across the country – leading to enforced blackouts.

While some of the Russian missiles and drones were downed, others made it through.

Mr Zelensky said: "Another attack by Russian terrorists

By **Mark Reynolds**

this night. The occupiers attempted a combined missile and drone strike on our country. Our air defenders responded effectively, shooting down five enemy missiles and more than 20 drones.

"Such a result in protecting lives can be our daily achievement if we have enough tools to repel terrorist attacks."

The latest Russian blitz came the day before Ukraine's president met G7 leaders including Rishi Sunak at their three-day summit in Italy to discuss how to slow Moscow's offensive.

Mr Zelensky is participating in several diplomatic events over the next few days including a huge peace summit in Switzerland over the weekend.

Back home the situation remains grim.

Residents in the capital Kyiv, with a population of three million, are facing some of the most significant power shortages.

The hum of generators reverberates through the city, streets are without lights at night and the lifts of apartment blocks have been shut down.

Ukraine is buying energy from the European Union to try to cover its shortfall.

Its energy ministry this week said it was planning to import its largest amount of power to date.

However, this is not enough to make up its deficit, meaning nationwide power cuts have been planned from 3pm to 11pm to protect critical infrastructure such as hospitals and military facilities.

## LABOUR IS WEAK ON DEFENCE AND WILL FAIL KYIV, WARNS PM

RISHI Sunak has warned that Sir Keir Starmer risks putting Ukraine's future in peril because Labour won't match his plans to beef up defence spending.

The PM said Tory pledges to boost the budget to 2.5% of national income by 2030 means the UK can help protect Ukraine from Russia.

But Labour has only said it would meet the same target when conditions allow. Speaking to journalists at the G7 summit in Puglia, Italy, the Prime Minister

By **Martyn Brown**

said: "The need to support Ukraine every year for as long as it takes is something that I can commit to because I'm willing to make a decision to increase defence spending.

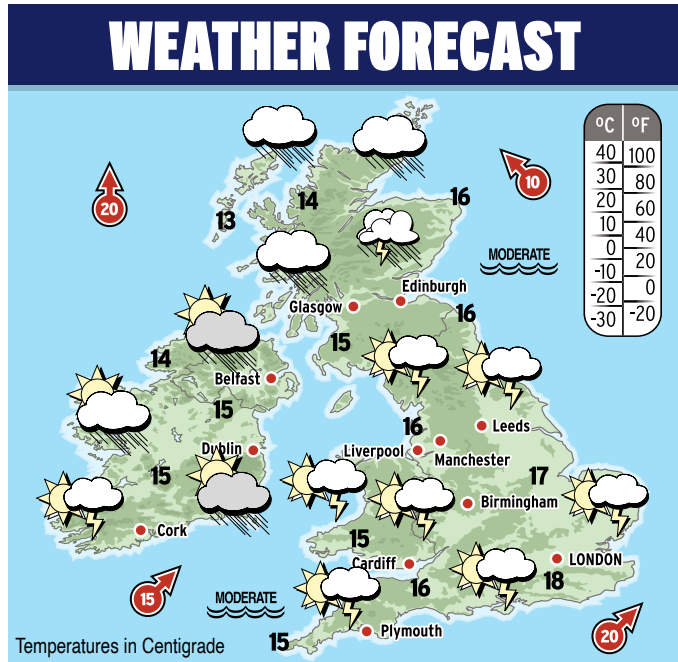
"So I can sit there and tell Volodymyr Zelensky, yep, as long as it takes, we will have the money to continue supporting you at the levels that we are.

"Putin can see that because we've been increasing our

defence budget. Labour can't say that." Mr Sunak said challenges in the Middle East and the risks posed by Iran and other authoritarian states required more spending on defence.

The Labour manifesto, unveiled yesterday, contained an "unshakeable" commitment to Nato and promised to increase defence spending to 2.5% of GDP. Labour has not set a date for this but said it would do a Defence Review in its first year in power.





## Today's summary: Sunny spells and heavy showers

**North West:** Bright with sunshine and showers, some heavy and thundery. Moderate south-westerly winds. High 16C (61F).

**Northern Ireland:** An unsettled day with showers or longer spells of rain. Gentle south-westerly winds. High 15C (59F).

**Wales:** Mostly cloudy with the chance of heavy and thundery showers. Moderate south-westerly winds. High 16C (61F).

**Midlands:** Mostly cloudy with the chance of heavy and thundery showers. Moderate south-westerly winds. High 16C (61F).

**North East/Yorks:** Bright but showery, some heavy with hail and thunder later. Gentle south-westerly winds. High 17C (63F).

**Scotland:** Rain clearing to sunny spells and scattered heavy showers. Gentle southerly winds. High 16C (61F).

**UK OUTLOOK TOMORROW:** There will be similar weather tomorrow as it will be another day of spells of sunshine and scattered showers and some may be heavy.

**East Anglia:** Cloudy with light rain. Hail and thunder showers later. Moderate south-westerly winds. High 18C (64F).

**London/South East:** Bright but showery. Hail and thunder are possible later. Fresh south-westerly winds. High 18C (64F).

**South:** Sunshine and showers, some heavy and thundery. Brisk south-westerly winds. Cool. High 16C (61F).

**South West:** Mostly cloudy with the chance of heavy and thundery showers. Fresh south-westerly winds. High 17C (63F).

**Channel Isles:** Cloudy with light rain. Hail and thunder showers later. Fresh south-westerly winds. High 17C (63F).

**Sea:** North Sea: Moderate. Irish Sea: Moderate. Channel: Moderate.

## SIX-DAY FORECAST

|            | SAT     | SUN     | MON     | TUE     | WED     | THU     |
|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|            | min max | min max | min max | min max | min max | min max |
| London     | 10 17   | 11 20   | 12 21   | 12 22   | 10 18   | 12 19   |
| Belfast    | 9 15    | 10 15   | 9 16    | 8 15    | 9 14    | 11 16   |
| Birmingham | 9 16    | 10 18   | 9 19    | 10 19   | 9 16    | 11 18   |
| Cardiff    | 10 16   | 11 18   | 9 19    | 10 20   | 9 17    | 12 18   |
| Glasgow    | 10 15   | 9 16    | 10 17   | 9 16    | 9 16    | 11 16   |
| Manchester | 9 14    | 11 17   | 10 17   | 10 17   | 10 15   | 11 17   |
| Newcastle  | 9 14    | 10 16   | 10 17   | 9 17    | 9 16    | 10 17   |
| Norwich    | 10 16   | 11 18   | 11 19   | 11 20   | 10 17   | 11 17   |
| Plymouth   | 11 16   | 11 17   | 10 18   | 11 20   | 10 17   | 12 18   |

| 24 hours to 5pm | SUN (hrs) | RAIN (ins) | TEMP (min) (max) |
|-----------------|-----------|------------|------------------|
| Aberdeen        | 9.1       | 0.00       | 9 14             |
| Aberporth       | 2.1       | 0.12       | 5 14             |
| Alnwick         | 4.2       | 0.02       | 5 13             |
| Belfast         | 0.0       | 0.28       | 9 14             |
| Birmingham      | 3.0       | 0.03       | 5 15             |
| B'mouth         | 0.3       | 0.06       | 4 15             |
| Bristol         | 2.6       | 0.14       | 7 14             |
| Cardiff         | 2.1       | 0.26       | 11 14            |
| Durham          | 3.6       | 0.03       | 4 15             |
| Edinburgh       | 2.5       | 0.04       | 3 14             |

## Britain yesterday

| Warmest: Lakenheath RAF Base 18C (64F) | Cooldest: Kinbrace -2C (28F) |
|--|------------------------------|
| Wettest: Culdrose 0.42in.              | Sunniest: Kinloss 8.5hr.     |

## Moon, sun and tides

|  |  |
|--|--|
| MOON rises: 1.06pm, sets: 1.25am       | SUN rises London: 4.43am, sets: 9.19pm |
| Manchester rises: 4.39am, sets: 9.39pm | Full Moon 22 June                      |
| HIGH TIDE                              | London B'ge (7.55am), (8.04pm)         |
| Liverpool (5.17am), (5.51pm)           | Greenock (6.05am), (7.25pm)            |
| Dover (5.26am), (5.44pm)               | Glasgow 10.04pm-4.30am                 |
| London 9.19pm-4.42am                   | Manchester 9.39pm-4.39am               |
| Newcastle 9.46pm-4.26am                |  |

## Lighting-up times

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Belfast 10.01pm-4.46am  | Birmingham 9.31pm-4.44am |
| Bristol 9.28pm-4.52am   | Glasgow 10.04pm-4.30am   |
| London 9.19pm-4.42am    | Manchester 9.39pm-4.39am |
| Newcastle 9.46pm-4.26am |                          |

## Europe forecast

| Today                     | Tomorrow                  |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Amsterdam Thunder 18C/64F | Amsterdam Thunder 18C/64F |
| Brussels Drizzle 20C/68F  | Brussels Rain 18C/64F     |
| Dublin Thunder 16C/61F    | Dublin Showers 15C/59F    |
| Frankfurt Rain 19C/66F    | Frankfurt Showers 21C/70F |
| Geneva Rain 20C/68F       | Geneva Rain 20C/68F       |
| Lisbon Cloudy 24C/75F     | Lisbon Sunny 22C/72F      |
| Madrid Sunny 30C/86F      | Madrid Sunny 29C/84F      |
| Paris Cloudy 22C/72F      | Paris Drizzle 18C/64F     |
| Rome Cloudy 26C/79F       | Rome Sunny 26C/79F        |

## Around the world yesterday

| City        | Weather | C  | F   |
|-------------|---------|----|-----|
| Amsterdam   | Cloudy  | 16 | 61  |
| Athens      | Sunny   | 37 | 99  |
| Barcelona   | Sunny   | 21 | 70  |
| Berlin      | Fair    | 17 | 63  |
| Budapest    | Fair    | 20 | 68  |
| Cairo       | Sunny   | 39 | 102 |
| Cape Town   | Sunny   | 18 | 64  |
| Casablanca  | Sunny   | 22 | 72  |
| Corfu       | Fair    | 30 | 86  |
| Dublin      | Rain    | 12 | 54  |
| Dubrovnik   | Sunny   | 25 | 77  |
| Faro        | Sunny   | 23 | 73  |
| Florence    | Shwrs   | 22 | 72  |
| Gibraltar   | Fair    | 22 | 72  |
| Guernsey    | Cloudy  | 14 | 57  |
| Hong Kong   | Fair    | 30 | 86  |
| Istanbul    | Sunny   | 30 | 86  |
| Jersey      | Cloudy  | 16 | 61  |
| Larnaca     | Sunny   | 33 | 91  |
| Las Palmas  | Sunny   | 24 | 75  |
| Los Angeles | Sunny   | 21 | 70  |
| Luxor       | Sunny   | 40 | 104 |
| Malaga      | Fair    | 25 | 77  |
| Mallorca    | Sunny   | 23 | 73  |
| Malta       | Sunny   | 28 | 82  |
| Melbourne   | Cloudy  | 11 | 52  |
| Miami       | Thndr   | 25 | 77  |
| Moscow      | Thndr   | 22 | 72  |
| Nairobi     | Sunny   | 22 | 72  |
| New Delhi   | Sunny   | 42 | 108 |
| New York    | Fair    | 23 | 73  |
| Nice        | Fair    | 22 | 72  |
| Nicosia     | Sunny   | 40 | 104 |
| Perth       | Sunny   | 19 | 66  |
| Prague      | Shwrs   | 18 | 64  |
| Singapore   | Shwrs   | 31 | 88  |
| Stockholm   | Shwrs   | 16 | 61  |
| Sydney      | Cloudy  | 16 | 61  |
| Tel Aviv    | Sunny   | 33 | 91  |
| Tenerife    | Sunny   | 26 | 79  |
| Toronto     | Sunny   | 20 | 68  |
| Tunis       | Sunny   | 28 | 82  |
| Venice      | Shwrs   | 21 | 70  |
| Vienna      | Cloudy  | 18 | 64  |
| Warsaw      | Cloudy  | 18 | 64  |

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## THE THRILL OF IT AS ARMANDO IS AWARDED DEGREE

By **Lucinda Cameron**

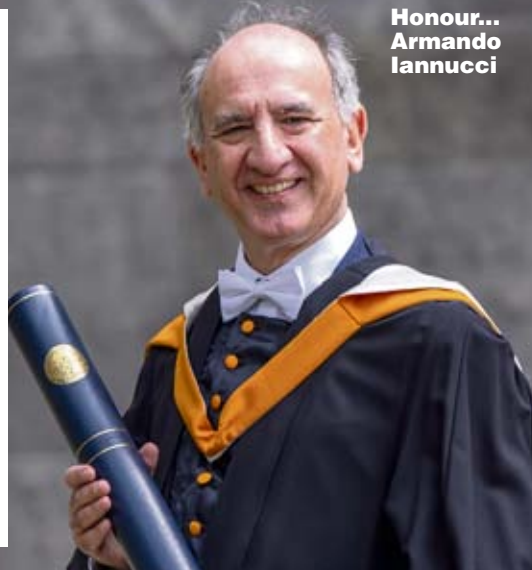
**WRITER** and satirist **Armando Iannucci** says it is a “delight, an honour, a thrill” to be awarded an honorary degree by **St Andrews University**.

The **Thick of It** creator, 60, was handed the honour by the **Fife** institution, the oldest university in Scotland, in recognition of the impact of his work on stage and screen across four decades.

Armando, from Glasgow, has won awards for his television work which also includes **The Day Today** and **Veep**. He also co-created the character **Alan Partridge** with **Steve Coogan**.

He said: “I’m surprised you can get an honour for writing jokes!”

Honour...  
**Armando Iannucci**



Picture: JANE BARLOW/PA

## Tube line ‘stranger pusher’ on trial

By **Pol Allingham**

A **TUBE** pusher accused of a “spree of violence” against strangers on the London Underground has appeared in court charged with attempted murder.

Donovan Kenlyn, 39, “chased and punched” Tube passenger **Samer Jawad** at **Baker Street** station.

CCTV footage played in court showed Mr Jawad on the floor and Kenlyn punching him.

Kenlyn then travelled on to the nearby **Finchley Road** station where minutes later he “propelled” **Angel Cambeiro** on to the track, narrowly missing the live rails.

## Track

Later at **West Hampstead** station he hit **Peter Acton**.

None of the three men knew Kenlyn from Ealing, west London.

He accepts he was involved in all three attacks in October 2022, but denies attempted murder, GBH with intent and ABH on the basis that he was suffering with schizophrenia.

Judge **Philip Katz KC** told the jury at the **Old Bailey**: “The physical actions aren’t in dispute, this is a case where you will be considering mental health.”

The trial continues.

# Terrorism arrests rocket by quarter

By **Ciaran McGrath**

MORE than 200 people were arrested for terrorism-related activity in Britain – up 23% compared with the previous year.

And at the end of March, there were almost 250 people in custody for terror offences, which is a record high.

Home Office data shows there were 212 arrests in the year ending March 31, 2024, an increase of 40.

The rise also represents an 8% spike of the latest five-year average of 196.

## Extremist

Of those arrested 44% were aged 30 and over, while 19% were aged 17 and under.

There were 27 females arrested, a rise of 15 compared with the previous year.

In total, 62 were charged with terror offences, six charged with other offences, 91 were bailed to return and released under investigation, 40 were released without charge, 12 faced alternative action such as a

caution or being recalled to prison, and in one case, a decision is pending. As of March 31, 2024, there were 246 persons in custody for terrorism-connected offences in Britain, the joint highest number since comparable records began in 2020.

Of those in custody, 63% held extremist Islamic views, 28% had extreme Right-wing ideologies and a further 9% were categorised as holding “other ideologies”.

Decisions on arrests are an operational matter for police, who said numerous factors may combine to increase or decrease numbers – for instance, an arrest operation involving a high number of individuals could cause a large spike in the data.

The UK national threat level, set by the Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre, the UK’s independent centre for analysis and assessment, is currently at “substantial”, meaning an attack is likely.

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# NOTTINGHAM ATTACK FAMILIES' ONE-YEAR VIGIL

Pictures: JOSEPH RAYNOR

By **Paul Jeeves**  
Crime Editor

THE heartbroken families of two students killed in the Nottingham knife rampage were united in grief yesterday as they retraced their children's final steps to mark the first-year anniversary of their deaths.

Loved ones of Barnaby Webber and Grace O'Malley-Kumar, both 19, laid a trail of flowers as they made their way along the same road the undergraduates walked before they encountered blade-wielding paranoid schizophrenic Valdo Calocane, 32.

Grace's ashen-faced parents Dr Sinead O'Malley and Dr Sanjoy Kumar wept as they hugged each other alongside Barnaby's parents Emma and David.

Lee Coates, son of school caretaker Ian Coates, 65, who was the killer's third victim when he was ambushed while on his way to work in the early hours of June 13 last year, also joined the vigil.

Yesterday Emma revealed she believes her son and Grace had been "an item" when they were killed.

Their vigil saw bouquets laid on the city's Ilkestone Road, yards from where the students lived, before a memorial ceremony at Nottingham University and Huntingdon Academy in St Ann's, where Ian worked. They were joined by relatives and friends from the city university, Grace's former school and hockey club in London and Barnaby's school and cricket club in Taunton, Somerset.

Grace's dad Sanjoy fought back tears as he recalled how his "hero" daughter "fought valiantly" during the attack and "chose friendship over fear" as she tried to protect Barnaby. He told mourners: "She was brave and she was beautiful."

The GP recalled how Grace's life was focused on three things: trying to become a doctor, playing hockey and socialising with friends. He said time had "stood still" in the past year.

## Support

But he added that the overwhelming support they have received had helped them to carry on.

The three families have labelled the killings as a "series of catastrophic missed opportunities" which led to "entirely preventable deaths" and vowed "no stone will be left unturned" in their battle for justice.

Sanjoy reiterated that message, telling mourners: "The coward was Valdo Calocane and all of the people who failed our children. What we have found out since the attacks makes unconscionable reading – a series of letdowns by the authorities, who simply didn't do their jobs."

Barnaby's father David thanked his son's friends for turning out to remember him.

He said: "That was the most moving thing I've seen in a long time."

He urged them to "stay strong" and said despite the world often being a "dark place", "you guys are showing us there is lots of light".

Prior to the walk David admitted being back in Nottingham was "bittersweet" and "surreal". He said: "Barnaby and Grace loved this university. Ian loved this city. We're here for them."

"If you asked me what I really want to do, I want to curl into a ball in the corner of my bedroom and just not leave, but that's not what Barnaby would want me to do. That's probably not what Grace or Ian would want me to do."

Calocane was sentenced to an indefinite hospital order after admitting manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility. Medical experts provided "overwhelming" evidence to the Crown Prosecution Service that he was suffering from a serious mental health condition at the time of his rampage.

The sentence was challenged by the Attorney General but the Court of Appeal ruled last month it was not unduly lenient. Lawyers for victims of the Post Office scandal, meanwhile, have offered to fight pro bono for further justice for the families.

Solicitor Neil Hudgell and barrister Tim Moloney KC agreed to take on their case after meeting the Webbers in London. They will formally begin work today.

**Sorrow...**  
Emma Webber at Nottingham University. Right, Ian, Barnaby and Grace



**Tributes...** Dr Sanjoy Kumar at vigil with David Webber. Inset, Lee Coates comforts Emma

# Tears and flowers to remember victims of a cowardly killer



**Trail of loss...** friends of Barnaby and Grace lay floral tributes where they were killed a year ago. Far left, Dr Sinead O'Malley holds rose

**Distraught...**  
grieving friend





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## Your money would fund mayhem under Labour

**W**ORKERS and pensioners across Britain will shudder at the thought of paying yet more tax.

Labour's manifesto has been denounced as a "tax trap" for the country.

There are real fears that Labour will make the tax burden even heavier and target council tax, capital gains and pensions allowances as ways of wringing more cash out of inflation-battered Britons.

Rishi Sunak has warned the country: "If you think they'll win, start saving."

Britain's reputation as a low-tax country is in peril.

Chancellor Jeremy Hunt said the manifesto "contains only tax rises and no tax cuts". Sir Keir's Starmer's party has no intention of matching the Conservative pledges to protect pensioners from the taxman and does not share the PM's desire to free workers from National Insurance.

Money you need to provide for yourself and your family will fund Labour's ideologically motivated mayhem if the party gets into power.

There is a real and dramatic choice facing the country on tax and many other issues.

Sir Keir's lack of charisma should not disguise the fact that he is an apparatchik of the Left whose years in the Corbynista camp must never be forgotten.

## Stand firm on defence

**B**RITS are not fair-weather friends – especially not when liberty is at stake. The Prime Minister pledged while at the G7 summit in Italy to support Ukraine "as long as it takes" against Russian invaders.

Vladimir Putin has gambled that western countries will tire of supporting Ukraine, that fickle voters will demand governments focus on domestic priorities, and that he can win by waiting us out.

The PM leads the party of Churchill and takes pride in his plan to increase defence spending. Labour must show that same determination to invest in the armed forces upon which the defence of freedom at home and abroad depends.

## Take pride in our dads

**O**NE of the most famous scenes in the Star Wars films has Darth Vader telling Luke Skywalker: "I am your father."

But in the lives of most men there comes a moment when they say: "I am my dad."

Research suggests it happens on average by the age of 43. Tell-tale signs include a profusion of nose and ear hair, dressing for comfort over style and reading on the loo.

More than a third of the respondents said their dad is their hero. Men might chuckle when they notice that they are suddenly excited about having a shed or take delight in puns, but Britain needs a new generation of the legends who cared for millions of us with sacrificial dedication.

Dad jokes may make the nation groan but these men deserve every hug they get.

# Starmer boom? On the contrary...he will stifle growth

Picture: STEFAN ROUSSEAU/PA



**PROMISES:** Starmer can't deliver on growth pledge

**W**HAT a shame Sir Keir Starmer could not bring himself to thank Liz Truss for inspiring his election manifesto.

Growth, he told us while launching the document in Manchester yesterday, will be his government's number one priority – just as "growth, growth, growth" was intended to be the former Prime Minister's preoccupation.

Both are right, in that much of what is wrong in Britain at the moment can be traced back to low economic growth.

The economy never properly recovered from the financial crash of 2008/09 and, since the pandemic, growth has been anaemic at best. Take away population growth and Britain's GDP per capita remains smaller now than before the pandemic.

Without economic growth, we cannot have sustained rises in real wages, nor maintain public services in the long term. If we try to pay ourselves more without producing more, all we will do is generate inflation.

Having correctly identified the problem Truss, of course, quickly ran into trouble when her Chancellor Kwasi Kwarteng delivered a tax-cutting budget while making an open-ended commitment to subsidise everyone's energy bills following the invasion of Ukraine.

But does Starmer have any better ideas on how to stimulate economic growth?

**I**F HE does, he isn't sharing them with us. There is precious little in Labour's manifesto to suggest Britain will soon be enjoying a Starmer boom. On the contrary, most of it appears calculated to thwart business and wealth creation.

It is certainly not going to be boom time in the North Sea. Labour says it will beef up windfall taxes on the sector – even though the windfalls of 2022 are history now oil and gas prices have fallen. Labour

says, too, it will refuse new oil and gas licences, despite admitting we will need oil and gas for decades to come, even if we do transition to clean energy.

Labour's policies will merely make Britain more dependent on energy imports, worsening our balance of payments and acting as a drag anchor on the whole economy.

Then there is trade union legislation. Labour wants to make it easier to call strikes and to repeal the Conservatives' law demanding minimum service levels in the public services on strike days. That is likely to

mean more cancelled trains and longer waiting lists.

Labour wants to abolish "exploitative" zero-hours contracts – a vital way of recruiting staff for businesses that provide flexible demands for staff, popular with many employees as it allows them flexibility in when, and how much, they work.

Shadow Chancellor Rachel Reeves and Keir Starmer keep blathering on about taxes being "too high". But what do they want to do about it? Put them up even further.

It is not exactly going to be good times in the independent

schools sector, where parents face sharp rises in fees thanks to the imposition of VAT.

But don't think Labour's tax rises will end with VAT on school fees and the end of non-dom status – among the few it has so far announced.

The party is still promising it will decarbonise the electricity grid by 2030, something which would cost many billions to achieve. The GMB union has warned Starmer that it can't be done by 2030 at any price.

**Y**ET Labour's projected spending on green energy has mysteriously fallen from the £28 billion a year it was recently promising to just £1.7 billion. How is it planning to fund its project at a fraction of the original cost? If the burden doesn't fall on taxpayers it will fall on energy customers, pushing bills higher and making our industry even more uncompetitive than high energy prices have already rendered it.

Labour promises it won't let borrowing run out of control as previous Labour governments have done. The economy will run on the principle of "securo-nomics". This seems to mean that spending will be kept under control so that national debt must be falling as a share of the economy by the fifth year of a Labour government. Fair enough, if that is what a Starmer government sticks to.

Yet when David Cameron budgeted to bring state borrowing down, Labour damned it as "austerity" – a claim which Starmer repeated yesterday.

Sorry, but I don't believe a word of it. In fact, I have a foreboding that as soon as global investors start to digest Rachel Reeves' first budget they won't like it much more than Kwasi Kwarteng's plan. It is one thing promising growth and low taxes, but if your manifesto points in the opposite direction you will not fool the markets.

Prepare for a bumpy landing from Starmer's flight of fancy.



**Ross Clark**  
Political commentator

**'Prepare for a bumpy landing from Starmer's flight of fancy'**



# Leo McKinstry



**FORMIDABLE** and furious doctor Jane Lees-Millais, above, turned up last week at a Tory event in Wiltshire, where she proceeded to heckle a speech by the Prime Minister. "The NHS is disintegrating," she cried while pointing an accusatory finger at Sunak. But instead of heaping all the blame on the Government, shouldn't she recognise the role of her own profession in deepening the crisis in the NHS?

After all, the British Medical Association has become one of the most militant trade unions in Britain, addicted to industrial action and confrontation, despite extremely generous pay packages for many of its members.

According to the Nuffield Trust, an independent think tank, consultants were paid on average of £143,000 last year and GP partners £163,000.

At those rates, don't the professionals have a duty to embrace reform and improve productivity instead of endlessly bleating about "underfunding"?

**THE POLLS** are grim for the Tories. Nigel Farage's Reform UK party is almost level with them, and even Rishi Sunak is said to be in danger of losing his seat of Richmond, where he had a majority of 27,000 at the last election.

After the fiasco of his early departure from the D-Day commemorations, the Prime Minister is unfortunate that the Reform candidate in Richmond is Lee Martin Taylor, right, a veteran who served 22 years in the British Army.

These are extraordinary times. It is possible that the Parliamentary Conservative Party could be reduced to a rump of fewer than 70 seats, resulting in the greatest political realignment for a century since Labour replaced the Liberal Party as the voice of the Left.



## If Labour wins, get set to be quangoed

**L**ABOUR'S 1983 manifesto became known as "the longest suicide note in history" because it was such a vote loser. A rag-bag of radical, Left-wing proposals, the long-winded document amounted to a plan for Britain's financial bankruptcy, industrial chaos and national emasculation. It is little wonder that the Tories went on to by far their biggest victory since the war.

None of the manifestos set out this week by the three main parties could be described as acts of self-sabotage. But neither did they inspire hope for the future. The challenges of our age are enormous, yet these documents were parochial and unimaginative.

The Tories' manifesto, the punchiest of the trio, suffered from a deep credibility problem, in that every appealing policy invariably provoked the question: "You've been in office for 14 years, so why haven't you done that already?"

But at least Rishi Sunak's party has the right instincts, in theory if not always in practice, about the size of the state.

"Conservatives believe in reducing the burden of regulation," proclaimed the manifesto, which went on to promise that the Civil Service will be cut "to its pre-epidemic size", quango spending will be brought "under control", diversity initiatives will be curtailed, and Whitehall productivity boosted.

Launching his party's manifesto on Tuesday, Sunak invoked the name of Margaret Thatcher, who famously spoke of "rolling back the frontiers of the state". But the Tories have done nothing of the sort in recent years. Public expenditure is higher than ever, while the tax burden is at its heaviest since 1948. Throughout this election opposition parties, pressure groups and much of the media have maintained their chorus of anguished



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### How the show went 'om' for Alec thanks to yoga

**NEXT** week marks the 75th anniversary of the release of the classic British movie *Kind Hearts and Coronets*, a black comedy about a suave criminal who murders a string of aristocratic relatives so he can claim the fortune and title of the D'Ascoyne family.

It is a gripping, often hilarious film, with a stellar cast that includes Dennis Price as the sophisticated killer. But the most memorable performances came from Alec Guinness, who showed his astonishing versatility by playing eight different members of the D'Ascoyne family.

His contribution almost ended in tragedy, for in one scene he played Admiral Horatio D'Ascoyne who had to go down with his ship. So he would stay rigid as the set filled with water, he was strapped by wires to the bridge. But due to a disastrous oversight, there was a delay in cutting the wires to release him once he was fully submerged.

To their relief, he was still alive when the technicians reached him. As Guinness proudly explained, he practised yoga and was an expert in holding his breath.

moans about the public sector being "starved of resources". But this narrative is false.

Public sector employment is at its highest level since 2012. The Civil Service alone has taken on around 100,000 employees in the last eight years, while the NHS payroll, including doctors and nurses, is up 15 per cent since the pandemic.

The key problem, which the Tories have done far too little to tackle, is that so much of the additional money and recruitment is wasted on the expansion of bureaucracy rather than the improvement of services. Large swathes of the public sector have become job-creation schemes for underworked managers, and administrators whose chief activities are clock-

watching, empire-building, virtue-signalling, report-writing, meeting-attending and leave-claiming.

That helps to explain why Britain has never had a bigger officialdom, yet has never been governed worse than we are at present.

Yet, even in the face of this sorry record, Labour and the Liberal Democrats retain a credulous faith in bureaucracy. Both their manifestos are awash with proposals for new quangos, committees, regulators, agencies and departments.

The advent of either of these progressive parties in power, or together in a coalition, would result in the rapid growth of the state's machinery. Indeed, organisational expansion seems Labour's answer to almost every problem. Worried

about economic stagnation? Labour will set up a Council for Economic Growth and an Industrial Strategy Council. Concerned about energy supplies? Sir Keir Starmer proposes a Great British Energy Company. Disturbed by illegal Channel crossings? His government will establish a new Border Command. Fearful about Labour profligacy? He will form a new Office of Value for Money. Anxious about crime? Here is a set of Community Payback Boards.

If anything, the Liberal Democrats are even worse.

Among the new bodies and extensions of officialdom proposed in their manifesto are a Women's Justice Board, National and Local Assemblies, an Online Crime Agency, a Worker Protection Authority, a Joint Climate Council of the Nations, Regional Clusters for Zero Carbon Innovation, an Independent Living Taskforce, a Commissioner for Older People and an Air Quality Agency.

This obsession with structural change gives the temporary illusion of action. But its real impact will be to push up costs for the taxpayer and deepen the expensive sclerosis of the public sector.

### COMETH THE HOUR, COMETH THE MAN... IN A WETSUIT, CLOWNING FOR THE CAMERAS

A SURVEY just out from the National Centre for Social Research shows disillusion with the political process in Britain is at an all-time high.

According to this study, 79 per cent of voters think that Britain's system of governance needs to be improved "quite a lot" or "a great deal".

Inevitably, in its report of this study, the BBC focused on Brexit and the cost-of-living crisis, but one factor not addressed is the competence

of our political class. Listening to figures such as the extraordinarily inarticulate Education Secretary Gillian Keegan, the fumbling Chief Secretary Laura Trott and the diffident Deputy Prime Minister Oliver Dowden, it is not mere sentimental nostalgia to believe there has been a decline in the calibre of our elected representatives.

In 1976, when Harold Wilson resigned as

Prime Minister, the line-up of contenders to succeed him included Jim Callaghan, Roy Jenkins, Denis Healey, Tony Crosland and Tony Benn, all giants of the Labour movement.

Similarly it is depressing to think that Sir Ed Davey, the aquatically clownish leader of the Liberal Democrats, follows in the footsteps of William Gladstone, David Lloyd George, Jo Grimmond and Sir David Steel.



By **Paul Jeeves**

Detective Constable Jack Earl said: "We will continue to raise awareness that this crime is a form of rape."

Picture: CHRIS JACKSON/GETTY



## Old order...the Baroness in 2014 Garter procession

By **Emily Ferguson** Royal Editor

## Chivalry

It is celebrated every year with a procession and service in the grounds of Windsor Castle, with members donning velvet robes, glistening insignia and plumed hats for the occasion.



The Master of the Horse was originally responsible for royal horses and carriages. Now the role is largely ceremonial, but the holder remains head of the Royal Mews and participates in state occasions.

## Royal appointments... King in Garter regalia

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Queen of the world...Kate in Variety shoot

## My sinking feeling in Titanic kiss with Leo

By Ellie Iorizzo

**KATE Winslet's famous kiss with Leonardo DiCaprio in Titanic was a "nightmare" to shoot, she revealed.**

Recalling the iconic "I'm flying" scene in the 1997 blockbuster, when she and Leo kiss at the bow of the doomed liner, the actress said it was "not all it was cracked up to be".

The Oscar winner told Vanity Fair magazine the stars' makeup kept rubbing off on each other, adding: "I would end up looking like I'd been sucking a caramel chocolate bar after each take."

She added: "Leo couldn't stop laughing, we had to reshoot this about four times."

"We had to climb up a ladder. Hair and makeup couldn't reach us."

Kate, 48, also kept hitting her knee on the ship's

guard rail and struggled to breathe because of the corset she wore. She said she remains very proud of the film but that being asked to re-enact that scene whenever she is on a boat "does her head in".

Meanwhile, Kate and Titanic director James Cameron shut down rumours that they were involved in a feud after filming.

The speculation reignited as the pair reunited on the set of sci-fi epic sequel Avatar: The

Way Of Water, in which Kate reprises her role as Metkayina matriarch Ronal.

James, 69, told Variety magazine: "There was never a rift between us". He admitted he resisted giving her the role in Titanic at first because it "seemed like lazy casting".

But he said "wiser heads prevailed" and once she began work, he could "see what everybody was talking about".

Kate, who did a photoshoot for Variety, said she was sad "that stupid, speculative Titanic stuff at the time overshadowed the actual relationship I have with him".

# Men become their dads at the age of 43

IF YOU groan when getting out of a chair, nod off midway through a film and repeat the same bad jokes, you may have officially turned into your dad.

This happens by the average age of 43, a study revealed.

Among the signs are nose and ear hair starting to grow exponentially (34%), preferring to dress for comfort over style (35%) and always having something to read on the loo (16%).

Other giveaways, according to the survey, are knowing where the water stopcock is (28%), checking all the doors and lights before going to bed (28%), being confused by modern music (27%), and liking to watch the weather forecast after the news (25%).

Despite these quirks, 33% of the 1,000 dads polled said they would be proud to turn into their own father, with 34% saying their dad is their hero.

The poll also revealed 20% of dads felt they had not been fully prepared to

By Adam Gillham

become a father, even though being a parent is the greatest role a man can have, according to 37%.

Overall, the survey calculated, 22% reckon all men turn into their dads at some point in their lives.

### Lean

The poll was commissioned in conjunction with the launch of animated film Ultraman: Rising, which comes to Netflix this weekend – the story of an athlete who reluctantly becomes a father.

Remarking on the survey results, the film's director, Shannon Tindle said: "Fatherhood isn't something you can plan for. All you can do is take a deep breath and lean on the dads and mums around you."

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# Olive oil demand slips amid 57% price hike

SOARING costs have made olive oil almost worth its weight in gold – with prices rising by 57% in two years. The surge is driven by supply shortages in Spain due to dwindling harvests after scorching summers. The hefty price tags are putting off consumers, with market leaders Filippo Berio reporting sales are down 15%. Shoppers are turning to the cheaper blends of refined olive and virgin oils, which can cost less than half the price of

By **Emily Braeger**  
premium brands. According to Which?, tests show it is possible to get a budget bottle that delivers on taste. Aldi's Specially Selected Terra Di Bari Castel Del Monte Extra Virgin Olive Oil earned a Great Value endorsement in the consumer champion's tests. Which? asked a panel of four independent

experts to blind-taste and rate seven premium supermarket extra virgin olive oils and five branded options. Aldi's premium offering was deemed a great cheaper alternative. Ele Clark, of Which? said: "Despite the rising prices, tests show that finding a great olive oil at an affordable price is still possible." Some 2.3 million tonnes are expected to be produced this year.



Pricey...olive oil

# Floods hell for Spanish holiday hotspots

By **Mark Reynolds**

HOLIDAYMAKERS hit by flooding in Spain and the Balearic Islands have been warned to brace themselves for more storms. The Costa Blanca region and Majorca were the hardest hit by torrential rain, causing widespread disruption including the closure of Palma's airport. As tourists headed abroad to escape the chilly weather in Britain, Spain's meteorological agency yesterday issued further severe weather warnings. Storms and heavy rain, including hailstones, are set to batter the region today. Yellow weather alerts in place for popular tourist hotspots on the mainland's east coast, stretching from Valencia to Almeria in the south, are likely to swell already overflowing rivers.

## Trapped

A yellow storm alert for Benidorm came with the possibility of heavy rain put at "100%". Authorities said areas popular with British tourists, including Benidorm, Alicante and Murcia, were the hardest hit. In one short period, more than two inches of rain fell around the city of Murcia, sweeping vehicles away as roads were turned into raging torrents. One trapped driver was cut free from his car by rescuers before being airlifted to safety by helicopter. Locals and tourists were pictured ankle-deep in water in the city's main street as they tried to negotiate their way to safety while others took refuge inside shops. Cars and wheelie bins were seen floating down streets. Tree branches were also reported



to have fallen onto tram tracks in Murcia, while one car was almost completely submerged on a roundabout. Meanwhile, images from Costa Blanca showed submerged streets, overflowing rivers and fast-moving water barrelling across dry fields before crashing on to highways. Firefighters were said to be "working tirelessly", though many roads remained closed. At one stage all flights were

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# HIT BY STORMS



River...cars submerged in Murcia, south-east Spain



Rescue...a man is cut out of his car and airlifted to safety, right

grounded at Majorca's Palma Airport due to an "extensive flood" causing "chaos" as rain poured in through the roof of the terminal, authorities said. A hundred flights were cancelled and one plane was filmed being forced to abort a landing due to the runway being under several feet of water.

The airport later reopened, but passengers are still being warned to check with their airlines before travelling. One Spanish

weather agency warned last night: "Storms erupted forcefully in parts of the east and centre of the peninsula. In the next few hours intense downpours will gain in several areas."

Meanwhile, back home in the UK, the unusually chilly June weather is set to continue into the weekend with sporadic heavy rain and thunder in some parts. Temperatures, way down on the norm for this time of year, will be at around 14C.



Deluge...flooded street while plane aborts landing in Palma, Majorca

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## Navy rapist gets 6 years

A ROYAL Navy sailor who met Princess Anne was yesterday jailed for six years for raping a drunk woman who he lured out of a nightclub.

Sebastine Kava Liliu – the first Solomon Islander to join the service – attacked his vulnerable victim in bushes on February 11 in Portsmouth.

Judge Michael Bowes, at the city's crown court, said Kava Liliu had caused his victim "severe psychological harm".

# Quake It Off... earth moves for Taylor's fans



Flexing... Taylor Swift and the star's devoted fans with souvenirs

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By Emily Braeger

TAYLOR Swift fans are causing such a stir at her gigs they literally made the earth move.

As the superstar performed some of her biggest songs in Scotland, seismologists recorded tremors 3.73 miles away.

Liverpool was last night braced for similar good vibrations as the US singer arrived in the city for a three-day stint, including the 100th show of her record-breaking Eras Tour.

Not put off by the chilly June temperatures, devoted Swifties waited outside the home of Liverpool FC from 3am in a bid to get as close to the 34-year-old star as possible.

It was some of the star's biggest hits – such as Cruel Summer and Shake It Off – that caused spikes in seismic activity last Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Edinburgh's Murrayfield stadium.

### Thrill

The earthquake monitors recorded fans dancing at a peak of 160 beats a minute during Ready For It?

The British Geological Survey measured the crowd's energetic reaction at around 80kW – the equivalent of around 6,000 car batteries.

The BGS said: "The opportunity to explore a seismic activity created by a different kind of phenomenon has been a thrill."

Liverpool, meanwhile, is also buzzing. The city council said: "It may not be



easy to measure any seismic activity due to the inclement weather, but we are sure the earth will move for everyone who is lucky enough to be at her shows."



## Fired NHS nurse 'risk to public'

By **Frances Millar**

A NURSE who stole two tablets to treat a headache while at work has been suspended from the profession – having already lost her job and her house.

Francesca Morgan, 32, has been told she poses a “continuing risk to the public” after taking paracetamol and co-codamol without permission.

She had already been dismissed from Arrowe Park Hospital, near Liverpool, after NHS officials noticed prescription medication had gone missing.

Police installed a camera that recorded her taking pills twice in June 2022. Morgan, from Liverpool, admitted two counts of theft by employee in December 2022, receiving a year's conditional discharge.

The Nursing and Midwifery Council has now suspended her for the next six months.

She told the body in a statement: “I realise it is not acceptable.” But the NMC described her insight as “quite limited”.

## Brit fizz is the biz, say wine fans

By **Mark Reynolds**

ENGLISH wine is rated more highly than bottles from Spain, Australia and New Zealand, research shows.

Britons prefer our own fizz over drinks that come from nations regarded as some of the best wine-makers in the world, a study reveals.

The research by Aldi suggests that after bursting on to the scene in recent years, home-grown sparkling wine is becoming a favourite.

It found that 15% think English fizz is “the new Champagne”.

Though Champagne (40%) reigns supreme when it comes to having a celebratory drink, 16% would go for a glass of our own sparkling.

It is ranked ahead of wine from Australia (9%), New Zealand (8%), Spain (6%), South Africa and Chile (both 4%), Argentina (2%).

Only France on 20% and Italy (17%) rank higher than the UK.

Expert Sam Caporn said: “It is great to see them get the recognition they deserve.”



**Passing the Buck** ...Ollie and Jude keep a steady hand. Inset, Rice and Kane on the golf course in Germany



## Three Lions enjoy some horseplay...

By **Chris Riches**

FOOTBALLERS Jude Bellingham and Ollie Watkins know that in a tournament one false move can mean disaster.

So to get them in that frame of mind, the Three Lions were saddled with a game of Buckaroo.

The players showed nerves of steel as they played with the 1970s game before leaving for Germany.

Real Madrid midfielder Jude, 20, is tipped to be one of the stars of Euro 24 after a winning the Champions League last month - while striker Ollie, 28, scored 27 goals last season for Aston Villa.

They are expected to be in the line-up as Gareth Southgate's England side faces Serbia in their opening match on Sunday.

On arrival in Germany, Declan Rice and skipper Harry Kane relaxed with a round of golf at their Blankenhain basecamp.



# Hamas brainwashed my son, says hostage mum

By **Mark Reynolds**

FREED Israeli hostage Andrey Kozlov was brainwashed by his Hamas captors into believing no one cared about him, his mother said yesterday.

Yevgenia Kozlov claimed her 27-year-old son, rescued by Israeli soldiers with three others, was physically and psychologically tortured.

Andrey, who had been working as a security guard, was seized from the Nova music festival on October 7 when Hamas murdered 1,200 Israelis.

For the first two months his hands and feet were bound. His captors also piled blankets on him in high temperatures and refused to let him use the lavatory.

Yevgenia said: “He said he was brainwashed. They told them that nobody wants them, that nobody is fighting for them.”

Her son's captors tried to convince him and other hostages that their families had moved on and their girlfriends were dating other men. She



**Free...Andrey and Yevgenia, centre, with hostages Shlomi, left, Almog and Noa**

said: “They said that the Israel Defence Forces wants to kill them and that this will be the solution for the war. So, at the moment when the IDF came, Andrey thought that they came to kill them.”

Commandos launched a daylight raid in Nuseirat to retrieve four hostages. Footage showed Israeli soldiers

shooting their way to an apartment block where Andrey, Almog Meir Jan, 22, and Shlomi Ziv, 41, were being held prisoner.

Along with Noa Argamani, 26, who was imprisoned alone in a nearby block, they were returned to Israel on Saturday. Israeli-Russian Andrey and his fellow captives appeared terrified,

with their hands in the air when the IDF arrived. Yevgenia said: “It was only after a soldier said to them that they love them and they will be fine, that they will be safe. It was only after these words he believed.”

“He said that he wanted to touch the soldiers, to hold their arms or clothes just to feel safe like a baby. He said the soldiers were like superheroes and that he felt safe, finally.”

As the squad fought their way out, their commander Arnon Zmora, 36, a married father of two, was killed. The group took refuge in a building before a helicopter flew them to safety.

Yevgenia said she was told: “‘We have some news so please sit down’. So I threw down my phone because I didn't want to hear any bad news. And then they shouted from the phone, ‘We have good news, please answer!’.”

While it led to jubilant scenes in Israel, it was revealed that nearly 300 Palestinians were killed – including women and children – from airstrikes that provided cover for their escape.





Murdered...Zara Aleena

## Failures in jail recall of Zara killer

By **Paul Jeeves**

A POLICE officer said more checks should have been made to find the man who went on to murder Zara Aleena, an inquest has heard.

Jordan McSweeney was recalled to prison just over a day before he killed law graduate Zara, 35, as she walked home in Ilford, East London, early on June 26, 2022.

Met Police operations sergeant Ian Batten told East London Coroner's Court he did not foresee McSweeney as posing "any risk around harm to the wider public" after receiving a "standard" recall to prison notice for him on June 24. The killer was jailed for life in December 2022.

The inquest continues.



Trauma...Emma Ehrens

## Massacre survivors tell of hell

By **Christopher Bucktin**

SURVIVORS of an infant school massacre have spoken of their lost pals as they left education 12 years after the horror.

About 60 of the high school graduates were at Sandy Hook Elementary when 20 pupils and six adults were shot dead.

Emma Ehrens said: "I had to watch all my friends and teachers get killed. I had to run for my life at six years old."

Lilly Wasilnak, 17, said: "We can't forget there is a whole chunk of our class missing."

Many survivors campaign for gun laws. Killer Adam Lanza, 20, also shot dead his mum and himself at Newtown, Connecticut, on December 14, 2012.

# Tribute to 'gentleman' war hero Harry, 98

Picture: SAMEER AL-DOUMY/AFP

**Self-taught  
...Harry at a  
D-Day event  
on June 6,  
2022 in  
Normandy**



TRIBUTES were paid last night to Second World War hero and "gentleman" Harry Rawlins, who has died aged 98.

He enlisted at 17 and was decorated for heroism during fierce fighting throughout occupied France, Belgium and the Netherlands with The King's Royal Rifle Corps.

His role in the liberation of Europe saw him awarded the Légion d'Honneur and Croix de Guerre with Palm.

In 2022, Harry was presented with the Thank You Liberator's medal, a token of gratitude towards veterans who served in the Netherlands.

The same year he was given the honour of lighting the Flame of Independence in Wageningen, a Dutch town destroyed by the Germans and liberated by British infantrymen in April 1945.

Captain Gerrit Nijenhuis, defence attaché of the Netherlands to the UK, said: "Harry was a very modest, gentle and humble man and it is hard to imagine what he and his mates went through."

Harry, from Edgware, North London, died at the Royal Hospital Chelsea on Monday with his family at his bedside.

He had been a regular at veterans events but was not

By **Giles Sheldrick**  
Chief Reporter

well enough to go to Normandy last week for the 80th anniversary D-Day events.

London cabbie Ian Parsons, a member of the Taxi Charity for Military Veterans committee, added: "Harry was an extremely intelligent man who spoke with authority on a wide range of subjects. He was self-taught, having absorbed the information from many

hundreds of books he'd read over the years. "Conversations with him were both fascinating and illuminating, from knowledge he had accumulated over a lifetime."

Fellow volunteer Dave Hemstead added: "I was lucky enough to have Harry consider me a friend. The many trips we made together were always a joy and never a chore. Harry was a gentleman."

Harry's frontline service

included at Arnhem during Operation Market Garden in September 1944 – the doomed airborne operation depicted in the 1977 film A Bridge Too Far.

He said he always felt guilty when his commanding officer stopped to ask him about an injury he had received in the Dutch town – and was himself shot and killed by a sniper.



Liberator...Harry during war

# 12 years for childminder who shook baby to death

By **Pat Hurst**

A CHILDMINDER who shook a nine-month-old boy to death in a rage has been jailed for 12 years and seven months.

Karen Foster, 63, left Harlow Collinge with lethal brain injuries after he had been dropped off at her home by mum Gemma Collinge.

After Harlow was rushed away by ambulance, Foster hugged his mother at the hospital and claimed the youngster had begun choking on pasta and she had slapped him on the back.

## Temper

But she later tried to blame Ms Collinge for the injuries, Preston Crown Court heard.

Harlow, who was injured on March 1, 2022, died days later in his parents' arms having suffered massive brain injuries. Foster, despite claiming benefits for ill health, was a registered childminder who had been breaking Ofsted rules on the numbers and ages of

children she should be caring for, to make more money from parents.

She had been accused of murder but pleaded guilty to manslaughter just before her trial started last week, for the first time admitting "forceful shaking" of Harlow causing his death.

Relatives of the baby shouted, "Scumbag bitch! I hate you!" as Foster was led from the dock after being sentenced by Mr Justice Barry Cotter.

Passing sentence, the judge described Harlow as a "happy, healthy, much-loved" boy, but said Foster, despite ill health and hip pain, looked after more children than she should have under Ofsted rules, and this contributed to her "loss of temper".

He said: "I have no doubt you snapped, in part due to the fact you were not coping with the demands

of caring for four children. You shook an almost 10-month-old child so violently to cause devastating injuries. His death was caused in the assault."

Harlow's mother, father Allen Frangleton, older siblings and wider family, sat in the public gallery weeping. Ms Collinge's statement read: "Harlow was enjoying his little life. He was a happy smiling baby."

She spoke of the "guilt" she felt, having arranged to move him to a nursery six weeks after first using Foster as a childminder, due to her concerns about the number of kids she looked after.

She added: "She even put her arms around me. I can't think of anything more evil. It is despicable. I blame myself every day for my son's death. This monster, Karen Foster, deserves nothing. I hope her actions haunt her."



Brain injury...  
Harlow was  
killed by Karen  
Foster, left



## MOTHER'S DISEASE DILEMMA



High demand...NHS care

### Patients' wait list rise blow to Sunak

By **Hanna Geissler**

THE NHS waiting list has risen for the first time in seven months, striking a blow to Rishi Sunak's claims that it was coming down.

Some 6.33 million patients were waiting for 7.57 million planned procedures and appointments in April.

This is up from 6.29 million waiting for 7.54 million treatments in March.

When the PM vowed to tackle the waiting list in January 2023, the number of treatments stood at 7.21 million.

During Sky News' Battle For Number 10 on Wednesday, Mr Sunak cited previous monthly figures which had shown a decline.

#### Stalled

But he admitted: "We've not made as much progress on cutting waiting lists as I would have liked."

Dr Sarah Scobie, Nuffield Trust acting director of research, said the data showed progress had stalled.

She added: "NHS staff are working incredibly hard, but the system can't keep up with growing demand."

NHS England said hospitals faced high demand for urgent and emergency services in the usually quieter late spring period, with daily A&E attendances in May up 5% on April.

And Professor Sir Stephen Powis, NHS national medical director, warned the junior doctors' strike planned for the week before the election will cause more disruption.

Wes Streeting, Shadow Health Secretary, said the waiting list figures had "blown a hole in Rishi Sunak's claim the NHS has turned a corner".

# I must travel to a warzone to help win my cancer fight

**EXCLUSIVE**  
By **Jan Disley**

A MUM with advanced skin cancer is raising money to fly to the conflict-ridden Middle East in an effort to save her life.

Esther Allen, 43, has stage-4 melanoma and her only hope is new cellular immunotherapy TIL (tumour-infiltrating lymphocyte) where your immune cells are multiplied in a lab then inserted back to attack the cancer.

But the treatment is only available in the US for more than £500,000 or Israel, where it costs around £130,000.

It means she has to travel to the unstable region if she wants a chance to beat the disease.

She told the Daily Express: "It's obviously not ideal because of the conflict with Gaza and the Foreign Office is advising against all but essential travel. But when your life is at risk you'll risk anything. As soon as they give me the go-ahead I want to be on the plane. I'd like to be there in the next week."

Esther, from Dronfield, Derbyshire, was 15 when she first went to her GP with an odd mole on her temple but it was misdiagnosed as non-cancerous. It was 2005 before she learnt the truth.

Sadly, the cancer then progressed, and in 2009 after giving birth to now 14-year-old daughter Heidi, she and husband Chris, 44, were told her melanoma was stage 4 and the prognosis was "very bleak".

In the years since, Esther has had 20 operations to remove tumours, including from her lung, gallbladder, pancreas, chest and neck – as well as chemotherapy and then immunotherapy – but none of these are working now.

Esther said: "I can't believe I need to go to a warzone to save my life, but it's my only option."

The family launched a GoFundMe appeal earlier this month and more than £19,000 has already been donated.

**Support...Esther with Chris and Heidi, 14**

**Brave...Esther was wrongly diagnosed**

# Warning as young girl ends up in A&E 'after online doc prescribed weight-loss jab'

By **Hanna Geissler**  
Health Editor

DOCTORS have issued a warning about weight loss jabs after they nearly killed a young girl – who was not even overweight.

The patient arrived in A&E with life-threatening symptoms after buying Wegovy online.

The drug and Ozempic have been hailed as revolutionary at treating obesity and diabetes.

But NHS England's medical director says they should not be used for anything else.

#### Starving

Professor Stephen Powis said: "I'm worried about reports that people are misusing them – they are not intended as a quick fix for people trying to get 'beach body ready'."

"Buying medication online without a doctor's supervision can lead to complications and dangerous consequences."

One A&E doctor said they had seen a "growing pattern" of

patients with complications. The anonymous medic told trade news website Chemist + Druggist that admissions included a girl who was starving herself and taking Wegovy obtained through Boots Online Doctor.

The medic said patients desperate for the drug can simply lie about their medical history to get it through pharmacies on the internet.

Other medics have reported similar experiences. Dr Vicky Price, president-elect of the Society for Acute Medicine, said: "I and many other colleagues are very concerned about the increasing numbers of patients we are seeing with complications from new weight loss drugs they have purchased online. Sadly,



**Drug...Stephen Powis has warned of misuse**



we are seeing life-threatening complications including inflammation of the pancreas and alterations in blood salt levels.

"We have raised concerns with the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. There is a need for urgent regulation."

Ozempic is only licensed for the treatment of type 2 diabetes, while others including Wegovy can be

prescribed for weight loss. But people without either problem are rushing to try the drugs as studies suggest there are other benefits.

A landmark trial last month found that semaglutide – the active ingredient in many of the jabs – could slash the risk of heart disease and stroke by a fifth.

#### Safeguards

Boots said: "We have a number of safeguards in place to ensure Boots Online Doctor prescribes weight loss medication where clinically appropriate and in line with the product licence."

"Patients are required to submit a photo of themselves and ID document for verification and must also answer questions on their medical and psychological history."

Patients must also provide their GP's details and Boots informs the GP of the prescription, the spokesperson added.



# Harry family's plea to Labour after 'delayed justice'

THE family of motorcyclist Harry Dunn hope a Labour government will launch a public inquiry into the teenager's death after accusing the US of "obstructing" their son's inquest.

Representatives of the US embassy and driver Anne Sacoolas, *right*, who admitted causing his death in 2019 by careless driving, were absent from this week's four-day hearing, prompting family spokesman Radd Seiger to say the US



By Josh Payne

position is that "lives of UK citizens like Harry ultimately do not matter". He added that Labour have promised parents Charlotte Charles and Tim Dunn a public inquiry if they form the next government.

Mr Seiger said: "It wasn't enough for them (the US and Sacoolas) to kick Harry's family in their darkest hour and seek to deny and delay the justice they were entitled to. This Tory Government have

refused to get involved. Labour have promised us a public inquiry into the way we were treated."

Northamptonshire coroner Anne Pember yesterday criticised the US government over a lack of driving training at RAF Croughton before the tragedy. She recorded the 19-year-old's death as a result of "injuries sustained during a head-on collision" with a car on the wrong side of the road.

Sacoolas, *inset*, left the UK and claimed diplomatic immunity after the crash. She appeared via video-link at the Old Bailey in 2022, receiving an eight-month sentence, suspended for a year.



Killed...Harry Dunn, 19, died in head-on collision. Inset, mum Charlotte Charles

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# Hate cleric's 'caretaker role' as leader of terror group

HATE cleric Anjem Choudary took a "caretaker role" in a banned terrorist group while its leader was in jail, a court heard yesterday.

The 57-year-old Islamist was said to have a "warped and twisted mindset" as his trial began.

Choudary is also accused of being a member of proscribed organisation Al-Muhajiroun and encouraging support in online meetings.

Tom Little KC, prosecuting, said the radical preacher, from Ilford, East London, had been a member of ALM "for many years" and had "directed the terrorist organisation for a significant period" from 2014.

ALM was incarcerated in prison in the Lebanon. So in the absence of his leader, Anjem Choudary took a caretaker role."

Mr Little told Woolwich Crown Court ALM was not always active because "arrests and interventions" limited what the group could do.

But he added that Choudary bided his time and "never gave up".

He was arrested by counter-terrorism police on July 17, 2023.

On the same day, Canadian Khaled Hussein – described as "a follower and dedicated supporter" of Choudary – was detained after flying into Heathrow.

## Support

He added: "More recently he has also encouraged support for that organisation by addressing online meetings of the Islamic Thinkers Society... part and parcel of the same terrorist organisation – so that is ALM.

"Anjem Choudary did much of that, we say, whilst the spiritual leader of

Hussein, 29, denies membership of ALM.

Choudary denies directing a terror organisation, being a member of a proscribed organisation and addressing meetings to encourage support. The trial continues.



Radical...preacher Anjem Choudary





Classic FM...Prof Cox

## Brian Cox: I hope to terrify you

By **Charlotte McLaughlin**

PROFESSOR Brian Cox hopes his Classic FM show will encourage people to look at the "terror of the universe".

The physicist, 56, who played keyboards for D:Ream, hosted BBC's Wonders of the Solar System, Forces of Nature and Stargazing Live.

Now his Symphony of Science show will air on Saturdays from 9pm to 10pm for six weeks.

Prof Cox said: "There's no substitute for going out and experiencing the existential terror of the universe by looking at it.

"I hope they're listening to these great pieces of music then look at the stars and get even more terrified."



Star...Daniel Bedingfield

## Use AI to write songs says Daniel

By **Ben Mitchell**

POP star Daniel Bedingfield says song writers should embrace AI as it can bring out the "soul" of the music.

The Gotta Get Thru This singer, 44, admitted it will be "brutal" for many musicians but said it puts "unrestricted and unfettered creativity" in the hands of new artists.

He used it on his new album. "I recorded my vocals and some music and put it into AI. It did the rest of it with so much of my soul because it's based on the DNA of my songs," Daniel said.

"AI is going to be brutal. It's a superpower and anyone can create music without needing hundreds of thousands of dollars."



Crew's control... Winkler with firefighters. Below, as The Fonz

## It's happy days as the Fonz escapes hotel fire

HAPPY Days star Henry Winkler poses with firefighters after a blaze at his hotel in Dublin.

The 78-year-old actor, known for playing Arthur "Fonzie" Fonzairelli on the US sitcom, was staying at the prestigious Shelbourne Hotel when he was evacuated alongside other guests. He posted a picture on X alongside three crew who battled the fire in the early

By **Charlotte McLaughlin**

hours on Wednesday. The actor wrote: "Thank you Dublin's fire department...our hotel was evacuated on our first morning!!!"

He told journalists: "When I heard the fire alarm I thought it was the



clock radio. And finally I went into another room and it was still buzzing. So I called downstairs and the woman said in a very calm voice 'Yes, we're all evacuating, you must evacuate right now' and I left."

The Emmy-winner is also known for roles including Arrested Development, Barry and CBBC's Hank Zipser.

By **Chris Riches**

THE MOTHER of a baby allegedly attacked by killer nurse Lucy Letby wiped away tears as she said switching off her suffering tot's life support machine was the most difficult choice she has ever had to make.

Letby, 34, denies attempting to murder the infant by displacing her breathing tube at the Countess of Chester Hospital's neo-natal unit on February 17, 2016.

Manchester Crown Court heard the daughter – known for legal reasons as Baby K – was born "extremely premature" weighing just 1lb 8oz.

### Suffering

But two hours later it is alleged Letby was "caught" by a senior consultant "virtually red-handed" standing over the cot "doing nothing" as Baby K's blood oxygen levels dipped. The Crown claim Letby interfered with Baby K's breathing tube twice more on the same shift, to create the impression the newborn was repeatedly dislodging her own tube.

The jury heard how Baby K was later that day transported to Wirral's Arrowe Park Hospital and died there three days later. Baby K's mother wiped away tears as the jury were read her statement. She said at



# 'Switching off my baby's life support was the hardest decision of my life'

## Mum's heartbreak in Lucy Letby trial

Arrowe Park she was lying awake in the early hours of February 20 – three days after Letby's alleged attack on her baby – when she had the "strangest feeling".

She and her husband went to see Baby K and realised her oxygen readings

were low. She said: "The doctor confirmed the worst. I remember saying she had been poked and prodded from the moment she was born.

"Her tiny little delicate body had swollen up so much we didn't want her to be suffering any more.

"We didn't want to be informed we'd lost our little girl by alarms going off. We didn't want to prolong things any more. We made the decision to

switch off the machines and let her go. It was by far the hardest decision of my life. Our daughter was in my husband's arms when she took her last breath and silently passed away."

The jury was told Letby was convicted last year of the murders of seven babies and the attempted murders of six others from June 2015 to June 2016. Letby denies one count of attempted murder. The trial continues.



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**YES: 51%**  
**NO: 49%**

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£7k hope pinned on show brooch

By Ed Chatterton

AN Antiques Roadshow fan was stunned when this old brooch, left gathering dust in her mum's bedside drawer for years, turned out to be worth a fortune. Geoffrey Munn, expert on the BBC show, told Helen Scaife the family gem dated back more than 300 years to the Renaissance period – and could fetch up to £7,000 at auction this month. The agate, gold and pearl brooch depicts a gryllus – a Roman mythological creature with human and wild boar heads. It has been passed down in the family for at least three generations but Helen, 51, of Cardiff, wants her mum, Margaret, to cash in. She said: "I love it but wouldn't wear it and it seems a terrible shame for it to be hidden away." The brooch will be sold at Hansons Auctioneers, in Etwell, Derbys, on June 27.

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## Bears in a bathtub? It's spa for the course



By Mark Reynolds

GREAT photo opportunities are available on tap when a pair of rescued grizzly bears climb into a bath tub at an animal sanctuary.

Dawson and Knute, both 13, were rescued as cubs when their mother died during a camping incident. They were too young to survive on their own and have since been raised at the BC Wildlife Park, in British Columbia, Canada.

Even though the pair had access to a pond and drinking water, keepers thought the addition of a water-filled bathtub would be fun.

But clever Knute and Dawson quickly discovered how to pull the plug out of their bath and now use it as a bear-sized lounger.

A spokesman for the park said: "We've been thrilled by the response to seeing them in the tub. It's heartening when both the public and the animal itself enjoy an enrichment moment like this."

"This attention also elevates the conversation around wildlife conservation."

Bearing up... Dawson and Knute take it easy in a tub

By Aurora Bosotti

PRIMARY school pupils from across the UK have debated whether holding elections is enough to call a country a democracy.

Members of the Sir David Amess UK Children's Parliament met online yesterday to discuss key questions they would pose to Rishi Sunak and Sir Keir Starmer ahead of next month's General Election.

They talked about the importance of democracy and whether elections remained a main factor in helping define a country as a democracy.

### Freedom

Children's Parliament Speaker of the House and Headmaster of Saint Pierre School, Peter Spencer-Lane, ran the session.

And Children's Prime Minister Clark Dearson, 11, helped lead it.

The debate, which was streamed on the Daily Express's Facebook page, came amid fears of disillusionment about politics among young people.

A recent



Voice...Clark, 11

# Children's PM: Democracy means no one gets left out

poll found 71% of young Britons do not feel political parties represent them or address issues they care about.

Clark said: "Democracy is important because no one gets left out."

Children's MPs debated aspects related to free and fair elections, including the importance of freedom of speech and checks on power.

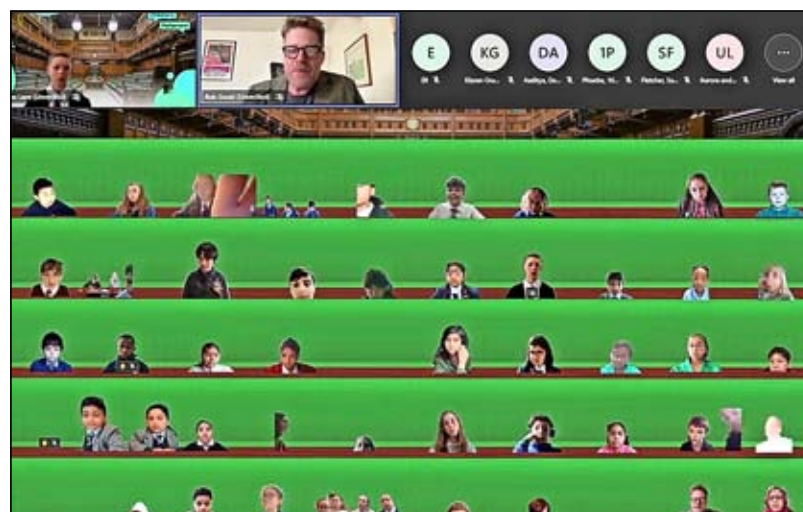
They also held a vote on what they consider to be the "main threat" to British democracy, which highlighted concerns among the younger generation about social media. And 60% of

the Children's Parliament said fake news confusing voters was their top concern.

Another 18% said populism, namely the practice of pitting the people against the "system", caused them apprehension, while 13% said voter apathy and disenchantment with politics posed a considerable risk to democracy.

The pupils also overwhelmingly agreed - 96% - on the importance of the UK protecting its democratic system.

The Children's Parliament was founded by the late Sir David Amess, MP for Southend, Essex, and launched in 2021 by then-PM Boris Johnson. Mr Amess was murdered by Islamic State fanatic Ali Harbi Ali the same year.



Online debate...the Children's Parliament discuss the UK's political system



# HICKEY

AS FANS eagerly await her return as Gavin and Stacey alter-ego Nessa this Christmas, Ruth Jones unflatteringly recalls her brief encounter with Hollywood A-listers Gwyneth Paltrow.

Cast in the minor role of a maid in 1996 movie *Emma*, Ruth reveals on pal Rob Brydon's podcast: "I had two lines...and Gwyneth Paltrow cut one of my lines. She said, 'Does she really need to say that?' If you've got two lines and somebody cuts 50 per cent of your script, it's heartbreaking."

Remembering a failed attempt to bond with the American actress – girlfriend of Brad Pitt at the time – Ruth adds: "I felt she was quite dismissive of me. So in my head I was thinking, 'Yeah, well, it's an old woman's name where I come from, love.'"

"When you marry Brad Pitt you're going to be Gwyn Pitt!"



AS OUR politicians battle it out until polling day, let us recall one particularly colourful election figure who died 25 years ago. **Monster Raving Loony Party founder Screaming Lord Sutch unsuccessfully stood in 39 parliamentary elections. He used to hold "victory" parties the night before the result to avoid disappointment.**

OVER 40 years since pop duo Soft Cell topped the charts with *Tainted Love*, frontman Marc Almond takes aim at modern-day performers, snapping: "I hate it when singers want you to know how good they are and sing all over the place. It's the X Factor syndrome, isn't it? Like, 'Look how many notes I can fit into this thing!' People say, 'Oh, it's so wonderful and marvellous' and I think, 'No it's not.'"

WITH the polls not looking good for the Prime Minister, former Chancellor George Osborne writes in *The Spectator*: "Do you pack up the flat or not?"

"That's the question that everyone who lives in Downing Street faces as an election approaches."

Employed back in 1997 to brief John Major on the newspapers, Osborne, pictured, recalls: "The day before polling, I crept into the flat and was confronted by stacks of boxes. The Majors had packed up." He adds: "I wonder what the Sunaks will do?"



MEANWHILE, with ex-Prime Minister Lord Cameron photographed with leaders at the recent D-Day commemorations, instead of the controversially absent Sunak, old pal Osborne mischievously wonders: "Was there any part of David that thought, 'I'm back in the big boys' club' when he was photographed with Presidents Macron and Biden and Chancellor Scholz? He's too professional to tell even his closest friends."

HAPPY birthday to thespian Simon Callow, turning 75 this weekend.

Despite a long and illustrious career on stage and screen, the actor is cheerfully resigned to being best remembered for the sudden death of his character Gareth in 1994 blockbuster *Four Weddings And A Funeral*, collapsing after energetically taking to the dancefloor in a kilt.

Callow jokes: "The film's basically a government health warning against the perils of Scottish dancing."

## EXCLUSIVE By Richard Barber

NO ONE could have been more surprised than Adrian Dunbar when theatre producer Howard Panter suggested a meeting with a distinguished Broadway director with a view to the *Line Of Duty* star appearing in a blockbuster production of Cole Porter's timeless classic *Kiss Me, Kate*.

"This would be my first ever West End musical," says Dunbar, the surprise still evident in his voice. "I'd be putting my toe in the water. But I've been singing for a long time and I've had music in my veins for a long time, too, so that aspect of it isn't new."

"Getting on the stage, though, and doing a big, big musical – well, that is something different."

Nonetheless, the leading man is talking up a good show.

"I'm feeling very excited about it because I think we're on to something really good," he says. "It's going to be so funny and joyful. It's just so wonderful coming to work every day."

It might be a million miles from Superintendent Ted Hastings and AC-12 but success, Dunbar feels, is guaranteed.

"*Kiss Me, Kate* is going to be a spectacle," he smiles. "It's going to be the blockbuster of the summer."

A lot of the credit can be laid at the door of Cole Porter. "His music stands the test of time because it's so damn good," Dunbar continues. "The melodies are beautiful and the lyrics wonderful."

"The songs are well constructed and have a good subtext to a back story the audience can hang on to. This is classic musical theatre, which is why it never goes out of fashion."

"That said, I think classic musicals really are coming back – it's a bit like Brando said, 'Nostalgia is the most powerful drug of the lot'. So, we're deliberately keeping this production looking like something from the period when it was written in the late 40s."

Certainly, director Bartlett Sher couldn't be happier with his unconventional casting of the leading man.

"I'm delighted and thrilled by the choice of Adrian," he says. "He has a beautiful voice. He has exquisite comic timing. And he is, of course, a highly accomplished actor."

The action revolves around Dunbar's actor/manager Fred Graham trying to keep his production of Shakespeare's *The Taming Of The Shrew* more or less in one piece while he is at war with his volatile ex-wife, Lilli, playing Katharine to his Petruchio.

Art is imitating life – and vice versa – as the opening night approaches.

Leading Broadway actress Stephanie J Block plays Fred's other half. This is her musical theatre London debut too, and she has not worked with Bart Sher on a major show before, either. "It's a complex piece," she says, "a play within a play that requires plenty of singing but plenty of acting, too – both Shakespearean and physical. There's a lot of stage fighting between me and Fred."

SO, IS she covered in bruises? She laughs: "I am. But the magic of theatre is that, when it happens on stage, you don't really notice it. Then, next day in the shower, you look down at a big bruise and wonder where the heck that came from."

It was imperative the two should get on with each other.

"We have almost three hours of beating each other up and being constantly at each other's throats," says Block. "That madcap storytelling would fall flat if we didn't have the greatest respect for one another."

Who Bart cast as Fred/Petruchio was crucial. "I'd never come across Adrian before," the 51-year-old admits.

"We didn't meet face-to-face until two months after I agreed to play Katharine. I quickly found him charming, witty, ridiculous in the very best sense. This is his first major musical theatre role but there's a musi-

# NOW WE'RE SUCKING DIESEL...



COPPER LOAD OF IT: Dunbar, Compston and McClure would be up for *Line Of Duty* return

**Line Of Duty's silver fox Adrian Dunbar is starring in his first ever West End musical. *Kiss Me, Kate* might be a million miles from AC-12 and Ted Hastings, but its dashing leading man promises the Cole Porter classic will be just as thrilling**

cality to him – even in the way he speaks – that makes him ideal for the role."

Even so, how has Dunbar, he of the ice-blue eyes and silver kiss curl, come to this pretty pass? "I know," he acknowledges. "None of this could have happened without *Line Of Duty*."

The six series of Jed Mercurio's iconic TV cop drama was a game-changer for Adrian, 65. Suddenly, the seasoned actor was propelled from playing a succession of respected roles in small-screen productions to becoming a bona fide star.

And life was never to be the same again.

Yet, he might never have been an actor at all. The eldest of seven, he was brought up in Enniskillen, Northern Ireland, living through the height of the Troubles.

A boy soprano, he inherited his fine singing voice from his mother, Pauline.

"She was the one who made me fall in love

with Gilbert and Sullivan," he says. "She was a fabulous soprano and I think she could have had a career in the theatre herself."

"I suppose that's why she encouraged me to do what I ended up doing because she was great, sang in the choir all her life, a real inspiration to me."

In his mid-teens he put together his own country-style band, playing the then unfashionable songbook of Johnny Cash, Hank Snow and the like. "The cool kids were into punk and new wave. It's funny that, all these years later, people are telling me what a great person that Johnny Cash was," he says.

He subsequently got a gig on bass and backing vocals with Frank Chisum, an Elvis Presley impersonator.

"He was a fabulous singer and a real showman," Dunbar says. "We toured all over Ireland and went to New York in 1979. This was the chicken-in-a-basket circuit. Back in





**BATTLE OF HASTINGS:**  
Adrian Dunbar and  
Stephanie J Block as  
feisty duo Fred and Lilli

**CAREER LADDER:** The new  
Barbican show, starring  
Dunbar, centre, is staying  
close to its 1940s roots



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Dublin, we'd get audiences of up to 800 people. They used to go nuts."

Then he started helping out at a local amateur dramatic company. When by chance he appeared in one of their productions, he surprised himself – and those watching him – with his natural acting talent.

Encouraged to apply to drama college, Dunbar won a place at the Guildhall School of Music & Drama, happy to swap his sometimes nerve-shredding life in Northern Ireland for the altogether more relaxed London milieu.

It was at college that he met actor Neil Morrissey, who was to become a life-long friend and who proved a wise counsel when Line Of Duty transformed Dunbar into the thinking woman's totty. The success of Men Behaving Badly had made it difficult for Morrissey to move around freely.

"It was unbelievable going out with him but he found a way of coping," Dunbar says. "So, when it happened to me, I was like, 'Oh, here we go'. Neil showed me you've got to be nice and then the public will talk to you."

None of Dunbar's newfound celebrity cut any ice at home, of course.

Married to Dutch/Australian actress Anna Nygh since 1986, he has a daughter, Madeleine, and a stepson, Ted, plus a clutch of grandchildren.

"They've no idea who Ted Hastings is," he says. "To them, I'm just Grandpop."

For now, though, he must keep focused on this, one of the greatest challenges of his career. He's rarely off the stage in a break-neck production of energy and intricacy. Take the dance routines, for instance.

Its acclaimed choreographer, Anthony Van Laast, says: "I've almost always worked on new shows, not revivals. I was involved in the original productions of Mamma Mia!, Sister Act and Tina, for instance. But I couldn't resist this one."

"I wanted to make the dancing muscular, physical, to give it a contemporary feel. You can see that most clearly in Too Darn Hot."

Another persuasive reason for Van Laast accepting Bart Sher's invitation was the inclusion of Charlie Stemp in the cast as gambling Bill Calhoun. "I first worked with

Charlie when he was in the chorus of Mamma Mia! and I knew that his was a special talent."

He's since gone on to dazzle audiences with his dancing in Half A Sixpence, Mary Poppins and Crazy For You. "When I was told Charlie was in the show, it was like being an artist and given a whole array of new colours: he's a truly fabulous dancer."

With all the bases covered, Dunbar is quietly confident he's part of a copper-bottomed hit, saying: "This is one of the best and biggest things I've ever done. The audience are really going to get their money's worth."

And when it's all over in September? He's off to the house he owns on the west coast of Ireland for a much-needed break. After that?

**M**IGHT we dare to hope that Line Of Duty which, for many people, ended somewhat inconclusively, be resuscitated for a seventh series? It's not up to him, he says, or co-stars Vicky McClure and Martin Compston.

But he's giving away no state secrets by revealing they'd all be up for it. "We had such fun from start to finish," he says.

No, the man to ask – and Dunbar wouldn't dream of doing so – is its creator, Jed Mercurio. In the meantime, there are only a handful of previews remaining before Kiss Me, Kate opens at London's Barbican Theatre next Tuesday.

"We're still doing minor tweaks before we 'freeze' the piece," adds Stephanie Block. But she has little doubt they're on to a winner – and she couldn't be happier.

"I don't want to sound pretentious but I truly believe musical theatre can have a healing quality. These are crazy, troubled times so, if we can send an audience home with a skip in its step, well, it's job done."

Dunbar agrees. "We're going to deliver two and a half hours of escapism with Kiss Me, Kate. People are going to be able to forget about everything that's going on and have a lot of fun."

"And, when they come out, the world will have changed a little bit for the better."

● Kiss Me, Kate runs until September 14 at London's Barbican Theatre. For tickets, visit [KissMeKateMusical.com](http://KissMeKateMusical.com)



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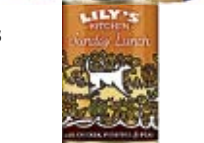
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## A VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE ★★★★★

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Having played a variety of characters from Jimmy McNulty in The Wire to Prince Charles in The Crown, shapeshifting actor Dominic West now inhabits Brooklyn longshoreman Eddie Carbone in Arthur Miller's modern Greek tragedy.

Following Mark Strong's performance in Ivo van Hove's groundbreaking production nine years ago is a tall order and neither West nor director Lindsay Posner attempt to draw easy comparisons.

This uncluttered, traditional production comes as a relief in the wake of techno-heavy shows littering the West End; the heavy lifting is done by the actors and the story of illegal immigrant workers and a fatal attraction between Eddie and his young niece Catherine (Nia Towle, engagingly innocent) comes across with the clarity of a tolling bell.

Played out against Peter McKintosh's slatted wooden set of a Red Hook slum and narrated by lawyer Louis (James Gladdon) in the tradition of Greek Attic drama, it slides inexorably from robust interfamily banter to brutal violence in spite of warnings from Eddie's careworn and sexually frustrated wife, Beatrice (Kate Fleetwood), that his feelings for Catherine are inappropriately obsessive.

With the parallel thread of Eddie illegally harbouring Beatrice's Italian cousins Marco (Pierro Niel-Mee) and Rodolpho (Callum Scott Howells) the plot ticks like a timebomb until the climactic detonation. Posner's straightforward approach serves it well and West grows in stature from amiable, easygoing roughneck to raging, uncomprehending monster. Of everyone on

stage he avoids the perils of British actors attempting authentic Italian/American accents. I realise the community was diverse but hearing perfectly good actors Dick Van Dykeing dialects is very hard on the ears.

## MARIE CURIE ★★★

Charing Cross Theatre, until July 28  
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A musical about the discoverer of radium may not be high on everyone's list of must-sees but it seems to have gone down big in South Korea where it originated.

Seoun Choun (book and lyrics) and Jongyoon Choi (music), together with English collaborators Emma Fraser and



**DISCOVERIES** Ailsa Davidson's Marie Curie

Tom Ramsay, have fashioned a serviceable musical drama from the story of Polish Nobel Prize winner Marie Curie (Ailsa Davidson) that delivers the story well enough without irradiating the stage.

Pale pastel imitations of Sondheim and Lloyd Webber tunes flutter around while the lyrics speak of the joy of glowing radium and inequities of being a female scientist. The

committed cast perform as if their lives depended on it and Davidson and Chrissie Bhima as Anne Kowalska, her fellow Pole who ends up in the radium factory ("Radium Toothpaste! Radium Cigarettes!") with fatal results, are both outstanding.

As chief investor Ruben DeLong, Richard Meek is matinee idol smooth, explaining his employees' deaths from radioactive poisoning as an outbreak of syphilis.

The steel set serves as a train station, office and Curie's laboratory where she and theatrically undernourished husband Pierre (Thomas Josling) research their discoveries.

Po-faced and earnest, it might have benefitted from more lines such as: "Let's get to work. Do we have enough mice?"

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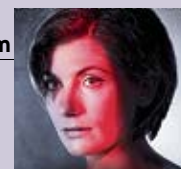
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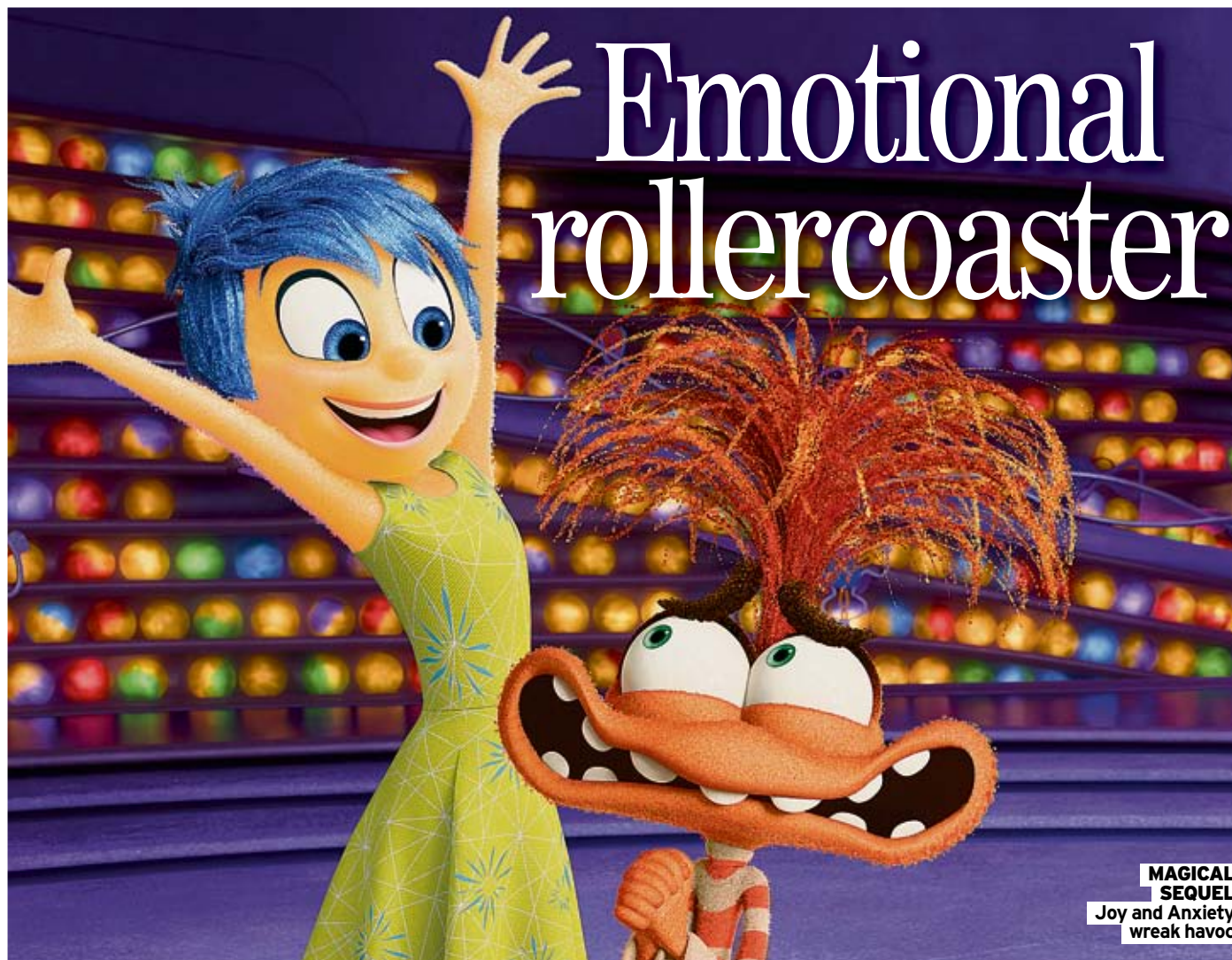




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### INSIDE OUT 2

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My adolescent years would have been a lot more bearable if I had been able to watch Inside Out 2 when I was in the throes of teenage anxiety.

Riley, the protagonist in Pixar's 2015 film Inside Out, returns for its sequel as a 13 year old on the brink of puberty, and we watch as her existing Emotions – Joy, Sadness, Anger, Fear and Disgust – get usurped by four new, more complex feelings that wreak havoc on Headquarters.

Anxiety, played by Stranger Things' Maya Hawke, becomes the star of the show, her toothy grin, zany hair and wild eyes

wonderfully animated as an eerily accurate physical manifestation of the emotion.

She's joined by Envy, played by The Bear's Ayo Edebiri; Embarrassment, played by Black Bird's Paul Walter Hauser; and Ennui, played by Blue Is The Warmest Colour star Adele Exarchopoulos. Together they banish Riley's childhood Emotions and take control, believing they're doing what's best to keep her straight on the rocky road ahead.

Young fans of Inside Out, now almost a decade older, will be similarly dealing with the complicated emotions teenagehood brings, and the expansion of the world of Riley's mind to include all the new feelings

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**A respectful exploration of puberty's impact, along with some cracking jokes**

of adolescence is a brilliant way to continue the story.

This makes things more nuanced without sacrificing charm, and never pokes fun at Riley and her teenage confusion.

Instead, it's a respectful and relatable exploration of puberty's psychological impact with some cracking jokes to boot, complete with the adventurous scale of animation that makes Pixar so beloved.

It's colourful, glowing and warm. The entire film drips with charisma, immediately hooking you into its premise and keeping your attention with its glorious visuals and charming characters.

Inside Out 2 is a fantastic example of how to do a sequel.

### SASQUATCH SUNSET

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Sir David Attenborough has been the soothing voice of the natural history world for decades.

The veteran broadcaster has witnessed many extraordinary sights on land, in the sea and the air – but it's unlikely he will have ever seen a tribe of bigfoots urinating, lactating and defecating with wild delirium to mark their territory.

Bodily fluids overflow in filmmaking brothers David and Nathan Zellner's hypnotic hike through the mist-cloaked forests of North America in the company of a ragtag tribe of human-like creatures.

Over the course of four seasons, captured by cinematographer Mike Gioulakis as if this were a

documentary, a mated couple (Jesse Eisenberg, Riley Keough), an elder male (Nathan Zellner) and an energetic youngster (Christophe Zajac-Denek) contend with a predatory mountain lion, poisonous mushrooms and the ferocity of the elements.

In amusing vignettes, one bigfoot gets high by sniffing a skunk's fur while another creates an imaginary friend from his balled-up fist.

Gentle laughs are frequently undercut by stunned silence. Death comes quickly and matter of factly.

Exemplary full-body foam latex suits fashioned by creature and prosthetics designer Steve Newburn allow the cast to vanish beneath pungent pelts matted with every conceivable excretion.

Answering the call of the wild is clearly exceedingly messy.



**ON LOOKOUT FOR LAUGHS**  
 Bigfoot tribe

### ULTRAMAN: RISING

Cert PG ★★★★★  
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Writer-director Shannon Tindle's high-octane computer-animated adventure adds a lustrous sheen to the superpowered Japanese character dating back to the mid-1960s.



**SURROGATE** 'Parent' Ultraman caring for the baby kaiju

Los Angeles Dodgers baseball star Ken Sato (voiced by Christopher Sean) flies home to Japan to join the ranks of the Yomiuri Giants under hard-nosed coach Shimura (Artt Butler).

Secretly, the prodigal son has begrudgingly returned to Tokyo to take up the mantle as superhero Ultraman from his injured father (Gedde Watanabe).

During a fight between Gigantron and the Kaiju Defence Force led by scheming Dr Onda (Keone Young), Ultraman inherits the creature's newly hatched baby kaiju and the superhero embraces surrogate parenthood with fervour.

Writer-director Tindle and co-writer Marc Haimés, who previously worked together on the Oscar-nominated stop-motion fantasy Kubo And The Two Strings, evoke the wondrous film version of The Iron Giant with striking imagery of a giant robot protector towering over a wide-eyed child.

The Incredibles is another reference point with comical intergenerational angst punctuated by thunderous action-oriented set pieces. Stylised visuals are crisply rendered and a tragedy-laden storyline isn't overstuffed, setting up – somewhat predictably – a teaser in the end credits for a sequel.



**HUNTED**  
 Cage with  
 Jenkins and  
 Martell

### ARCADIAN

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 In cinemas now

Conceived by screenwriter Michael Nilon during the pandemic, Arcadian is a post-apocalyptic survival thriller that imagines a deadly virus knocking humans off their pedestals, giving birth to gnarled, nocturnal beasts that hunt our ravaged species under a cloak of darkness.

Director Benjamin Brewer's picture unfolds through the eyes of a stricken family rallying against the otherworldly predators from a fortified farmhouse stronghold.

The claustrophobic set-up is eerily reminiscent of the 2017 psychological horror It Comes At Night starring Joel Edgerton, and the climactic scenes in A Quiet Place. However, Brewer stages his slick set pieces with the volume turned up and suspense dialled down to tolerable.

Creature design melds cartoonish and grotesque elements with staccato bursts of sound created when the beasts rapidly clack their jaws before they coalesce into a giant wheel and roll en masse after fugitive prey. A creepy centrepiece involving one digitally rendered interloper relies too heavily on crazy good fortune to withstand scrutiny.

Nicolas Cage's performances are usually the craziest element on screen but in Arcadian, the Oscar winner is surprisingly understated as a father willing to sacrifice everything. He allows young co-stars Jaeden Martell and Maxwell Jenkins to shine, although the script lingers them with occasionally clunky dialogue.



# Books

The best-selling author talks about how a bit of tough stuff can make you strive harder and become a better person

Can there be anyone as successful, yet down to earth, as Jamie Oliver? He's known – and adored – the world over, is the top-selling non-fiction author in UK history, has a TV career spanning a quarter of a century and somehow, always seems to be so normal.

Maybe it's his enormous brood of kids. Jamie and his wife Jools have five children, aged between seven and 22, which must surely keep him on his toes. Or maybe it's the fact that he's neurodiverse.

Jamie, 49, is back in the limelight with his latest children's book, *Billy And The Epic Escape* – the sequel to his debut, *Billy And The Giant Adventure*. And as he promotes the adventures of his hero character Billy and his mates, he's also talking openly about his own struggles growing up.

As a child with severe dyslexia, Jamie found school incredibly difficult and describes words as "his enemy". He also has ADHD. And at a time when there are so many children on excruciatingly long waiting lists, desperate to be diagnosed, he's able to connect with both parents and kids. He acknowledges, too, that neurodiversity can make kids picky eaters.

He also knows that being a successful author is an incredible feat for a man who looks at a page and sees the words jump around. But he knows that being neurodiverse has made him – and kept him – who he is today.

"Conventional writing has never worked for me," says Jamie, noting he



uses dictation as his weapon to visually tell a story.

Cookery books have always been treated a bit like a Haynes manual – like a 'how to' or step by step. So, that's not really writing. This is. Even though it's a kids' book, it's still real writing. So, I had to find my confidence."

There's an important message about confidence within the book, something Jamie struggled with.

"I think confidence, worry and anxiety are all part of a cauldron of different emotions that challenge us," he says, honestly.

"And I think that they can present themselves when you're young, as things that hold you back. But at the same time, as you get older, [they provide] a tension that makes you do your best work.

"Life's not supposed to be linear or easy. I want my kids to struggle as much as possible, in

a safe and controlled way. If it's too easy, it's really vanilla."

Jamie talks in an open way, those famous blue eyes still twinkling, and is unafraid of a challenge. He chats gratefully about having the opportunity to work at the weekend when he was young, in his family's Clavering home and pub, The Cricketers, which is now a hotel.

"Cooking – 100 per cent – saved me. Because, while everything was going very badly at school, at the weekend I was able to be someone. Cooking was normalised, earning £1.20 an hour was normalised and getting paid because I did what I promised was normalised. So, I had my confidence building on one side, and dare I say it, slightly diminished on the other.

"I had such resentment towards the written word, and traditional learning. And I've got rid of that now.

"I guess what I'm trying to say, is book two was not a chore. It was beyond exciting. It was completely intentional.

"And probably without knowing it too much, it was therapy. And to be heading towards 50 and still learning big lessons, I'm proud."

Jamie is now able to trust in his own unique process of getting those words down. Having grown up being "not good at a lot of stuff that is measured in a school environment", he's come a long way, most of which he owes to that lovely old pub.

"Pubs are welcome to all," he says, reminiscing. "Pubs are really unique. My best friends were travellers. And I grew up around farmers and old age pensioners. You know, the cricket club, the bowls club, the tennis club, rich city boys, drinking single malts and smoking expensive cigars with an E-Type Jag out the back... pubs are

really special places.

"And that was my school, really. Teenage Jamie was in love with people, optimistic for life and learning how to be glass half-full. And I don't mean it in a romantic or sugary way.

"But when you live in a pub, and when you are interacting with the public, you see the best and worst of the community, but mainly the best.

"Every day, you go down for service, even as a kid. Dad was going down for 12 to three, then six to 11pm. It's like theatre. And no matter what, you've got to brush yourself down and go for it.

"Even today, I say to my girls – you've got to brush your teeth, look in the mirror, and decide it's going to be a positive day, decide to be glass half-full.

"And I know it's easier said than done. But also, if you do try, and if you do have that intention, it's about being glass half-full most of the time, and hopefully having friends around you that will catch you on the not so good days."

Jamie really does come to life when he talks about that pub.

Which is no surprise, as that's still the lifelong dream.

"When I left the pub and went to London at 16, my dream was to come back. And even now, with everything that I've done, my dream, sincerely, is to retire and open a pub!"

He bursts into laughter as he reiterates how happy he is, but with the big 5-0 approaching, maybe Jamie Oliver's next big thing will take him very much back to his roots.

"I love my life. And I love my team. And I love the work that I have the opportunity to do," he says.

"But I still haven't fulfilled my career goal, which was to open a beautiful pub, and do my version of what I grew up in."

■ *Billy And The Epic Escape* by Jamie Oliver is published by Puffin Books, priced £14.99. Available now

## Four new books to read this week

### FICTION Going Home

Tom Lamont, hardback by Sceptre  
£16.99 (ebook £9.99)

One of the Observer's Debut Novels of 2024, Tom Lamont's touching story is about three men caring for a toddler after the sudden death of his mother, Lia.

Teo has loved Lia since school, his dad Vic is trudging towards the end of his life and Ben, Teo's best pal, lives on family wealth. None are ideal parent material, but looking after two-year-old Joel changes them all in this moving story set in a Jewish community trying to decide if it wants to be traditional or progressive. Individual chapters switch between the men's viewpoint and rabbi Sibyl Challis as decisions about Joel's future are played out. A bittersweet story casting new light on love. **8/10**



### Sandwich

Catherine Newman, hardback by Doubleday  
£16.99 (ebook £8.99)

A family week in Cape Cod is an annual event for Rocky. And this one is the same as usual, except that Rocky has the menopause, her children are fully grown, her parents are ageing and she's not sure she wants to hug her husband or divorce him.

The familiar holiday stirs up memories, emphasises changes and unearths secrets. This book looks at navigating the world as a woman, gratitude, loss and love. Newman, whose debut, *We All Want Impossible Things*, was a Richard & Judy Book Club pick, transitions with ease from moments of melancholy to laugh-out-loud observations. A moving read finding the joy in everyday life. **8/10**



### Cleavage

Cleo Watson, hardback by Corsair  
£20 (ebook £7.99)

A raunchy political novel by a Boris Johnson former aide, filled with conspiracies, secret romances, data geeks and quite a lot of sex, looks set to top booksellers polls in election year. Cleo Watson has followed up her debut novel *Whips* with another Westminster story on how dangerous, uplifting and brutal politics can be.

Prime Minister Eric Courtenay, battling a resurgent Labour opposition, hires a strategist with a bizarre idea to close the gap in the polls, and as the December election day approaches, tempers flare, and a dating site takes centre stage for candidates in different parties. Anyone interested in politics and scandals will love this. **7/10**



### NON-FICTION The Garden Against Time

Olivia Laing, hardback by Picador  
£20 (ebook £9.99)

Olivia Laing is renowned for her poetic explorations of creative excess, from the hard-drinking of Hemingway to the lonely life of Andy Warhol. Here she looks at a different form of escapism framed by her experience resurrecting an old walled garden in Suffolk. She makes a case for the garden as a space every bit as fantastical and controversial as the world of high art and literature.

She delves into the history of gardens, shattering the notion they were symbols of privilege and exclusion. This book paints a picture as rich and provocative as her explorations of writers and artists. **8/10**



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# Music



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### ALBUM RELEASES

#### Paul McCartney & Wings

##### One Hand Clapping

Their Band On The Run album had been No1 for seven weeks when Wings went into Abbey Road Studios to film a documentary.

One Hand Clapping was the never-released soundtrack. Consequently, it became one of pop's most bootlegged live albums.

Fifty years on, this is its first official outing in its entirety, and the band were clearly having fun. Macca ends the first LP with a cheery version of the Tin Pan Alley jazz standard Baby Face - No2 in 1959 for Little Richard.

Disc two includes a jaunty take on bluegrass standard Blue Moon Of Kentucky, the B-side of Elvis's first single, plus Denny Laine



singing the Moody Blues hit Go Now. The set mixes Wings classics - Jet, Band On The Run, My Love - with some of Paul's classiest Beatles songs. There's Let It Be, and a truncated piano version of The Long & Winding Road that morphs into Lady Madonna.

It also includes the first recording of I'll Give You A Ring not released as a Wings B-side until 1982.

Small joys include a

93-second take on Power Cut, just Paul and a Hammond organ, and his leisurely piano version of Tomorrow.

The 2xLP vinyl package opens with the title track, a relaxed, bluesy instrumental with fine lead guitar from Jimmy McCulloch, who also sparkles on Hi, Hi, Hi.

It's not entirely new. Some songs were on the Band On The Run Archive Collection CD box-set, and this version of Live And Let Die featured on the 2003 film The In-Laws.

It comes with a bonus Backyard EP of six previously unavailable tracks, including a playful Blackpool, and covers of Buddy Holly's Peggy Sue and Eddie Cochran's 20 Flight Rock.

Yet oddly, considering that it was all filmed, there's no accompanying DVD.



#### Luke Combs

##### Fathers And Sons

North Carolina-born Combs is a country sensation, even notching up two UK Top Ten albums. His third swerves country-rock to serve up heartfelt ballads about being a dad to two boys.

His voice is as worn as hand-me-down jeans and the songs have poignancy, but you might feel Cat Stevens said more in three minutes.



#### Charli XCX

##### Brat

After the poppy diversion of Crash, Charli is back to her true self, hammering us with the incessant dance attack of Club Classics. Highs include catchy Von Dutch, jaunty Mean Girl - dissing viperish snobs - and the soothing sincerity of I Might Say Something Stupid - a respite after jagged confessional Sympathy Is A Knife.



#### Gareth Dunlop

##### Welcome To The House Of I Don't Know

Belfast-born Dunlop has a knack for penning emotional numbers infused with soulful Americana. You might know his songs without knowing it, they've featured on films and TV shows like Suits and House.

He moves closer to 80 synth-pop here, but there's real warmth in anthemic tracks such as Go Down Swinging.

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# Outnumbered by ninnies

**H**AVE you been watching the repeats of **OUTNUMBERED**, the old BBC sitcom about the Brockman family? It's where Hugh Dennis plays dad Pete, Claire Skinner plays wife Sue and most of the gags revolve around the kids (played by Tyger Drew-Honey, Daniel Roche and Ramona Marquez).

There's another episode tonight, at 8.30pm on BBC1 (or via the iPlayer in Wales), and, to be fair, it stands up reasonably well, considering it's 10 years old.

It's series five, episode three, where Pete's goddaughter is over from Australia, and other than a



**Mike Ward**  
previews  
tonight's TV

joke about the iPod and another about William Hague (neither of which, of course, you can buy in the shops any more), it's mostly stood the test of time.

Even so, I can see why this was the last full series.

When Outnumbered began, its charm lay in the cutely funny lines the kids came out with. By series

five, they were significantly older, and considerably moodier, so that didn't really work any longer.

The writers, Andy Hamilton and Guy Jenkin, still delivered decent scripts because they always do, but the show had largely lost its unique selling point.

So don't ask me why they're bringing it back this Christmas, albeit just as a one-off (the kids, now in their 20s, are apparently home for the festivities.)

I'm not saying it'll be awful, I'm just not sure it'll be great.

Actually, on second thoughts, do ask me why, because I think I know the answer.

It's because the BBC are

desperate. They've admitted as much. It's why they've also ordered another one-off of Gavin & Stacey.

BBC Director of Comedy, Jon Petrie, recently issued a "save our sitcom" plea to writers.

"Mainstream comedy is what viewers love best", he told them – then added: "We're still not getting pitched enough of the comedy we need to keep people happy..."

But is it any wonder? Comedy writing now must be a minefield, with the constant fear that a gag or a storyline or, I don't know, quite possibly a tin of plum tomatoes, will offend a handful of witless yet vociferous ninnies who live on social media and have way too

much time on their hands. What writer now would dare to pitch an idea like Dad's Army, Fawlty Towers or Blackadder?

They'd do better just to dish up a modern-day version of Terry And June. Except, no, even that wouldn't work.

"Contains discriminatory language of the period," Britbox warns viewers. Yes, really.

In similar vein, it warns that 'Allo 'Allo!, about the French Resistance in Nazi-occupied France, "contains language and attitudes of the time that may offend some viewers."

Given its context, I should jolly well hope it does.

## PICKS OF THE DAY



**Sport:** Live UEFA Euro 24, ITV1, 6.30pm

Germany vs Scotland (kick-off 8pm). Mark Pougatch presents coverage of the Group A match from Munich, as hosts Germany kick off the tournament against the side managed by Steve Clarke (left). Julian Nagelsmann's team go into the competition as one of the favourites. Scotland qualified for their second consecutive Euros comfortably ahead of the likes of Norway and Georgia. In their last appearance in the finals three years ago, they finished bottom of their group and they haven't won a game at this tournament since a 1-0 victory against Switzerland back in the group stages of the 1996 competition. Analysis from Graeme Souness, Roy Keane, Ian Wright and Laura Woods.



**Gardening:** Gardeners' World, BBC2, 8pm

Monty Don (left), Nick Bailey, Adam Frost, Sue Kent, Carol Klein and Frances Tophill are Birmingham-bound for the annual Gardeners' World Live event. Celebrating summer gardening is the ultimate gardener's day out. There will be design inspiration for even the smallest of spaces, big ideas on display in the Show Gardens, plus all the latest trends and must-have plants and flowers in the floral marquee. And an expert grower shares her passion for orchids.



**Factual:** Paranormal: The Village That Saw Aliens, BBC3, 9pm

In 1977, 14 schoolboys from a village in west Wales made headlines after claiming to have seen a UFO in the playground and the media frenzy that followed spawned a wave of phenomena "sightings" along the coastline. Sceptic Sian Eleri (above) delves into the story, beginning by tracking down those whose "close encounter" triggered what was dubbed the biggest mass UFO sighting in Britain. Part two at 9.30pm.



**Film:** Sleepless In Seattle, Film4, 6.55pm

Unashamedly old-fashioned romantic comedy starring Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan (above). When Sam's wife dies, he is left to bring up his eight-year-old son Jonah alone, and decides to move to Seattle to make a new start. On Christmas Eve, Jonah rings a radio phone-in with his Christmas wish to find a new wife for his dad. Meanwhile in Baltimore, journalist Annie, who is having doubts about her own relationship, is tuning in.

**Music:** Disco: Soundtrack Of A Revolution, BBC4, 10pm

This second episode of the three-parter looks at how disco conquered the mainstream charts, from Donna Summer (right) with her anthemic single Love To Love You Baby to Sylvester's You Make Me Feel (Mighty Real). As disco's influence spread across Europe, it spawned the electronic stylings of Giorgio Moroder, as well as the disco pop of Abba, while the Bee Gees shook the disco world with their multimillion-selling soundtrack album for Saturday Night Fever.



**DID YOU KNOW?** Actor Meg Ryan originally trained as a journalist, studying at New York University. As a student she acted in television commercials and the soap opera As The World Turns to earn extra money.

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Today's TV previews are on the previous page

All programmes are listed in British Summer Time (BST).

film ratings

★★★★★ Brilliant  
★★★★ Very Good  
★★★ Good  
★★ Average  
★ Bad

(R) Repeat

BBC One

**6.00am Breakfast** News headlines.  
**9.30 Morning Live** Magazine.  
**10.45 Scam Interceptors** An elderly man in a remote community is targeted by scammers.  
**11.15 Homes Under the Hammer** Properties in Leicestershire, Somerset and Blackpool. (R)  
**12.15pm Bargain Hunt** A pet-themed edition to celebrate the RSPCA's 200th anniversary.  
**1.00 BBC News at One; Weather**  
**1.35 Regional News; Weather**  
**1.45 BBC News at One; Weather**  
**2.00 Hope Street** A new taxi business opens in Port Devine.  
**2.45 Escape to the Country** Buyers seek a move from the USA to the East Midlands.  
**3.45 Garden Rescue** Designing an eco-friendly garden. (R)  
**4.30 The Finish Line** Five more contestants compete.  
**5.15 Pointless** Quiz, hosted by Alexander Armstrong, with guest co-host Lucy Porter. (R)  
**6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather**  
**6.30 Regional News; Weather**  
**6.55 Party Election Broadcast** (R)

BBC Two

**6.30am Homes Under the Hammer** A bungalow in the beautiful Norfolk Broads. (R)  
**7.30 Clive Myrie's Caribbean Adventure** In Barbados. (R)  
**8.00 Sign Zone: Mammals** (R)  
**9.00 BBC News** Headlines.  
**12.15pm Politics Live**  
**1.00 Impossible** Quiz. (R)  
**1.45 Mastermind** The final. (R)  
**2.45 Five Bedrooms** Everyone is frantically preparing the house to be sold. Last in series. (R)  
**3.35 Stanley Tucci: Searching for Italy** The actor explores Italian food in London. (R)  
**4.15 Great Bear Stakeout** Part two of two. The grizzlies find food for the winter months. (R)  
**5.15 Flog It!** A collection of previously unseen finds from the show's travels. (R)  
**6.00 Richard Osman's House of Games** Kevin Eldon, Sarah Keyworth, Laila Rouass and John Whaite take part. (R)  
**6.30 Clive Myrie's Caribbean Adventure** The newsreader explores Puerto Plata in the Dominican Republic.

ITV1

**6.00am Good Morning Britain** A lively mix of news, current affairs and lifestyle features.  
**9.00 Lorraine** Entertainment and the latest fashion news.  
**10.00 This Morning** Topical daily magazine, featuring a mix of celebrity chat, showbusiness news, advice and discussion. Including Local Weather.  
**12.30pm Loose Women** Celebrity interviews and topical debate.  
**1.30 ITV News; Weather**  
**1.55 Regional News; Weather**  
**2.00 Dickinson's Real Deal** The Dealers set up at Crewe Hall, as James Layte bargains for a page turner, and Simon Schneider browses some celebrity reading material. (R)  
**3.00 Lingo** Pairs compete in the word game. Adil Ray hosts. (R)  
**3.59 Regional Weather**  
**4.00 Tipping Point** Quiz show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (R)  
**5.00 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (R)  
**6.00 Regional News; Weather**  
**6.10 Party Election Broadcast**  
**6.15 ITV Evening News; Weather**

Channel 4

**6.30am Cheers** Double bill. (R)  
**7.20 Everybody Loves Raymond** Four episodes. (R)  
**9.10 Frasier** Four episodes. (R)  
**11.10 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA** The chef heads to Arizona. (R)  
**12.05pm Channel 4 News**  
**12.10 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA** A failing pizzeria in Los Angeles. (R)  
**1.10 Car S.O.S** Revisiting vehicles from the first four series. (R)  
**2.10 Countdown** With Sam Quek.  
**3.00 A Place in the Sun** Double bill. Penny and Russell are hunting for a holiday home in Mojacar, Spain; fitness instructor Lucy seeks a property in Malaga.  
**5.00 Sun, Sea and Selling Houses** A couple seek a retirement home that they can enjoy with their pets.  
**6.00 Four in a Bed** The hosts meet one last time to find out what they've been paid. (R)  
**6.30 The Simpsons** Marge begins a new life protecting endangered creatures. (R)

Channel 5

**6.00am Milkshake!** Children's TV.  
**9.15 Jeremy Vine** Discussion.  
**11.15 Storm Huntley** Storm Huntley carries on the discussion and takes your calls to discuss the biggest stories of the day.  
**12.45pm Friends** Double bill. Rachel considers moving out; Rachel tells her father she is pregnant, prompting him to confront Ross. (R)  
**1.40 5 News at Lunchtime**  
**1.45 Home and Away** Stevie puts Remi in charge of entertaining her film crew guests. (R)  
**2.15 FILM Dangerous Love** (2022, PG) When recently divorced Laura meets a stranger online, her daughter soon grows suspicious. Thriller, starring Vivica A Fox. ★★★★★  
**4.00 Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun** Colin Brown prepares to welcome a family of seven to the B&B. (R)  
**5.00 5 News at 5** Headlines.  
**6.00 Party Election Broadcast**  
**6.05 Argos: How Do They Really Do It?** The secrets of the retailer (R); 5 News Update



11.25pm, **TINKER TAILOR SOLDIER SPY:** Gary Oldman



8pm, **GARDENERS' WORLD:** Monty Don



3pm, **LINGO:** Adil Ray



9pm, **CELEBRITY GOGGLEBOX:** Sue and Jane



8pm, **DALGLIESH:** Bertie Carvel

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**7.00 The One Show** Live chat and topical reports, presented by Alex Jones and Clara Amfo.  
**7.30 The Panorama Interviews with Nick Robinson** The journalist questions Labour's Keir Starmer as the election campaign continues. (R)

**7.00 Digging for Britain: The Greatest Discoveries** Alice Roberts visits archaeological digs around the country. (R)  
**7.30 Beechgrove Garden** Kirsty Wilson discusses what to sow and plant in order to attract birds to the area.

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**8.00 Michael Mosley: The Doctor Who Changed Britain** A tribute to the medic and broadcaster.  
**8.30 Outnumbered** The arrival of Pete's goddaughter from Australia has an unfortunate effect on the household. (R)

**8.00 Gardeners' World** Monty Don, Nick Bailey, Adam Frost, Sue Kent, Carol Klein and Frances Tophill are Birmingham-bound for the annual Gardeners' World Live event. Plus, an expert grower shares her passion for orchids.

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**9.00 Death in Paradise** Locals on the Caribbean island of Saint Marie make plans to celebrate the New Year – only for the festivities to be cut short when a masked man stabs a woman in her own home. Crime drama guest starring Nina Wadia. (R)

**9.00 Hidden Treasures of the National Trust** At Chirk Castle, a rare portrait of a servant from the 18th century reveals its secrets. And in Oxburgh Hall, two hidden treasures are brought back into the light. Last in series.

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**10.00 BBC News at Ten**  
**10.30 Regional News; Weather**  
**10.40 MOTD: UEFA Euro 2024 Highlights** Germany v Scotland. Alex Scott presents action from the Group A match at Munich Football Arena, as the tournament got under way.

**10.00 QI** Sandi Toksvig looks at tubes and tubas in a totally tubular show, featuring panellists Alan Davies, Sara Pascoe, Bridget Christie and Deborah Frances-White. (R)  
**10.30 Newsnight** The day's national and international news stories.

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**11.25 FILM Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy** (2011, 15) A former intelligence operative is brought out of retirement to uncover a Soviet mole in a high-ranking position in MI6. Cold War thriller, starring Gary Oldman and Colin Firth. ★★★★★

**11.05 FILM Dear Evan Hansen** (2021, 12) Film adaptation of the Tony and Grammy Award-winning musical about Evan Hansen, a high-school senior with a social anxiety disorder. Starring Ben Platt and Julianne Moore. ★★★★★

12 midnight

**1.25am** Euro 2024 Match Replay. Germany v Scotland. A chance to see the Group A match at Munich Football Arena. With commentary by Steve Wilson and James McFadden. **3.05** Weather for the Week Ahead. A look ahead to the latest forecast. **3.10-6.00am** BBC News. Headlines.

**1.10am** Sign Zone: The Wrong Man: 17 Years Behind Bars. An innocent man failed by the criminal justice system. (R) **2.10** Sign Zone: Andi Oliver's Fabulous Feasts. Andi revisits her past. Last in series. (R) **3.10** Sign Zone: David & Jay's Touring Toolshed (R) **3.40-6.15am** This Is BBC Two

**6.30 LIVE UEFA Euro 2024** Germany v Scotland (kick-off 8.00pm). Mark Pougatch presents coverage of the Group A match from Munich Football Arena, as hosts Germany kick off the 2024 tournament against Steve Clarke's side. Julian Nagelsmann's team go into the tournament having qualified automatically, and are one of the favourites to win the competition. They are looking to win their first major trophy since the World Cup in 2014, and their first European Championship victory since 1996. Scotland qualified for their second consecutive Euros after finishing below Spain, but comfortably ahead of the likes of Norway and Georgia. In their last appearance in the finals three years ago, they finished bottom of their group behind rivals England, Croatia and Czech Republic, and they haven't won a game at this tournament since a 1-0 victory against Switzerland back in the group stages of the 1996 competition.

**10.45 ITV News; Weather**

**11.20 Regional News; Weather**

**11.30 FILM Terminator 2: Judgment Day** (1991, 15) A cyborg is sent back in time to protect the future saviour of the human race. Sci-fi adventure sequel, with Arnold Schwarzenegger. ★★★★★

**1.40am** Shop on TV **3.00** The Larkins. The family do all they can to get Pop out of prison, while Mariette tells him he is going to be grandfather, but swears him to secrecy. Ma is surprised by an about-turn from Norma. (R) **3.50** Unwind with ITV **5.05-6.00am** Katie Piper's Breakfast Show (R)

**7.00 Channel 4 News** A round-up of all the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments and current affairs. Plus, the day's leading sports stories and weather.  
**7.55 Party Election Broadcast**

**8.00 The Dog House** Youngster Harry is hoping to find a best friend who likes to play fetch and Ollie the ball-mad spaniel seems a perfect match. Meanwhile, Trini from London contends with sassy fluffball Balloo. (R)

**9.00 Celebrity Gogglebox** Famous faces – including Nick Grimshaw and his niece Liv, Ellie Simmonds and Richie Anderson, Jane McDonald and her friend Sue, and Rylan and his mum Linda – critique the week's biggest TV shows.

**10.00 The Nevermets** Twenty-four-year-old Leah from Glasgow prepares to meet her American lover Chad – who's 48 and lives with his 16-year-old daughter – for the first time in person, after two months of communicating online.

**11.05 FILM The Inbetweeners Movie** (2011, 15) Awkward teenagers Simon, Will, Jay and Neil head to Greece for a wild holiday – but things do not go to plan. Comedy, with Joe Thomas, Simon Bird and Blake Harrison. ★★★★★

**12.55am FILM Skyscraper** (2018, 12) Action thriller, starring Dwayne Johnson. ★★★★★ **2.35** Ramsay's 24 Hours to Hell and Back. Gordon visits Bayou on the Vine in Kansas City. (R) **3.25** Come Dine with Me: four episodes (R) **5.35** Escape to the Chateau (R) **5.45-6.10am** Frasier (R)

**7.00 The Motorway Hotel** Head Chef James tries out new apprentice Kaylan, and the annual national Maize Maze awards is meant to be in town, but snowfall sends the M6 into chaos and threatens to ruin the event. Last in series; 5 News

**8.00 Dalgliesh** Adam and Miskin attend the murder scene of Rita O'Keefe, whose nephew Garry Ashe emerges as chief suspect. At his trial, defence barrister Venetia Aldridge smoothly secures an acquittal, but when she is also found dead, Dalgliesh is soon on the hunt for a missing paperknife, and a motive. Crime drama based on PD James' best-selling novels about Inspector Adam Dalgliesh, starring Bertie Carvel, Carlyss Peer and Alistair Brammer.

**10.00 LIVE UK vs Germany Fight Night** Macaulay McGowan v Abass Baraou. Coverage of the bout for the European Super Welterweight title at Bolton Whites Hotel. Baraou won this title on English soil last time out when he defeated Sam Eggington via majority decision in Telford just three months ago, but McGowan will be hoping to claim his first professional title. Other fights pitting British and German fighters against each other are on the card, with hot prospect Dan Toward among those in action.

**12.05am** Ultimate Police Interceptors (R) **1.00** Entertainment News on 5 **1.15** PlayOJO Live Casino Show **3.15** Secret Scotland with Susan Calman (R) **4.05** Britain's Greatest Bridges (R) **4.50** Wildlife SOS (R) **5.15** House Doctor (R) **5.40** Entertainment News on 5 **5.45-6.00am** Paw Patrol (R)



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**6.00am** CITV **9.00** World's Funniest Videos **9.30** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **10.00** Love Bites **12.00noon** Dress to Impress **1.00** Deal or No Deal **2.00** Family Fortunes **3.00** Veronica Mars **4.00** Dawson's Creek. Drama. **5.00** Dress to Impress. Dating show.

**6.00** **Celebrity Catchphrase** With Richard Ayoade, Katie McGlynn and Joe Swash.

**7.00** **Deal or No Deal** Gameshow, hosted by Stephen Mulhern.

**8.00** **Bob's Burgers** Double bill.

**9.00** **Love Island** The islanders reach the end of the second week in paradise.

**10.05** **The Stand Up Sketch Show** With Rhys James and Helen Bauer.

**10.35** **Family Guy** Animated double bill.

**11.35** **American Dad!** Stan and Francine's social life gets a boost.

**12.05am** **American Dad!** Animation.

**12.35** **The Sex Lives of College Girls**

**1.45** **Don't Hate the Playaz** **2.30** **Unwind** with ITV **3.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

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**6.00am** Teleshopping **7.20** **Cop Car Workshop** **8.05** **The Force: Behind the Line** **8.40** **Top Gear** **12.00noon** **Storage Hunters UK**: four episodes **2.00** **Extreme Fishing** with Robson Green **3.00** **Top Gear** **5.00** **Hairy Bikers' Best of British**

**6.00** **Rick Stein's Secret France** The chef heads through France's eastern border regions of Alsace and Jura.

**7.00** **Would I Lie to You?** With Jo Brand, Roisin Conaty, Paul Foot and Ray Mears.

**7.40** **Richard Osman's House of Games** Double bill. With Roger Black, Jo Brand, Sanjeev Kohli and Tiff Stevenson; with Maisie Adam and James Cracknell.

**9.00** **QI XL** With Ross Noble and Jack Dee.

**10.00** **Have I Got 2021 News for You**

**11.00** **Taskmaster** Gameshow.

**12.00m't** **Mock the Week**. Comedy panel show. **12.40** **Would I Lie to You?** **1.20** Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled **2.30** Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish **3.20** Room 101 **4.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

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**6.00am** **Hollyoaks** **7.00** **Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA** **9.00** **Brooklyn Nine-Nine** **10.00** **Young Sheldon** **11.00** **Modern Family** **12.00noon** **The Big Bang Theory** **2.00** **The Goldbergs** **3.00** **Modern Family** **4.00** **Young Sheldon** **5.00** **The Big Bang Theory**: double bill

**6.00** **The Big Bang Theory** Double bill.

**7.00** **Hollyoaks** Cleo's slip of the tongue makes Marie suspicious.

**7.30** **Come Dine with Me** Social worker Ruth tries to impress her guests with her Jewish-Irish fusion menu.

**8.00** **Dance Moms** Bride-to-be Melissa loses her temper at Christi and Kelly.

**9.00** **FILM Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines** (2003, 12) Sci-fi adventure, starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. ★★★

**11.05** **Naked Attraction** Dating show.

**12.10am** **The Big Bang Theory** **1.10** **Brooklyn Nine-Nine** **2.15** **Modern Family** **3.30** **Dance Moms** **4.15** **The Neighborhood** **5.05-6.00am** **Brooklyn Nine-Nine**

Variations & S4C

**WALES As BBC1 except: 1.35-1.45pm** BBC Wales Today; Weather **6.30** BBC Wales Today; Weather **6.55** Party Election Broadcast **7.00-7.30** Nick Servini Interviews... **8.30-9.00** Iolo's Valleys. Iolo heads up the valleys north of Newport. Last in series. **10.30** BBC Wales Today; Weather **10.40** Paranormal: The Village That Saw Aliens **11.10** Paranormal: The Village That Saw Aliens **11.40** MOTD: UEFA Euro 2024 Highlights **12.25-1.25am** Pitted Invasion: How the Scottish and Irish Changed Football

**WALES As BBC2 except: 7.00pm** The One Show **7.30-8.00pm** Springwatch in Wales. The journey begins in the ancient Celtic rainforest.

**MERIDIAN As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Meridian **6.00-6.10** ITV News Meridian **11.20-11.30pm** ITV News Meridian

**CENTRAL As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Central **6.00-6.10** ITV News Central **11.20-11.30pm** ITV News Central

**ITV WALES As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Cymru Wales **6.00** ITV News Wales at Six **6.10-6.15** Party Election Broadcast **11.20-11.30pm** ITV News Cymru Wales

**WEST As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News West Country. A round-up of the latest headlines. **6.00-6.10** ITV News West Country **11.20-11.30pm** ITV News West Country

**ANGLIA As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News Anglia **6.00-6.10** ITV News Anglia **11.20-11.30pm** ITV News Anglia

**WESTCOUNTRY As ITV1 except: 1.55-2.00pm** ITV News West Country **6.00-6.10** ITV News West Country. The latest headlines. **11.20-11.30pm** ITV News West Country

**S4C 6.00am** Cyw **12.00noon** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **12.05pm** Bwyd Bach Shumana a Catrin **12.30** Heno **1.00** Cais Quinnell **1.30** Ma'i Off 'Ma **2.00** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **2.05** Prynhawn Da **3.00** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **3.05** Y Fets **4.00** Awr Fawr **5.00** Stwnsh **6.00** Gerddi Cymru **6.25** Darllediad Etholiadol gan y Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol **6.30** Garddio a Mwy **6.57** Newyddion S4C **7.00** Heno **7.30** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **8.00** Heather Jones **8.55** Newyddion S4C a'r Tywydd **9.00** Siwrna Scandi Chris. Welsh fire chef Chris goes on a Scandi food journey. **10.00** Cynefin **11.00-11.35pm** Welsh Whisperer – Ni'n Teithio Nawr!

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**7.00am** **Unwind** with ITV **7.05** **Sugar Showdown** **7.35** **The Real Housewives of Cheshire** **8.35** **Masters of Flip** **9.35** **Buying and Selling** **10.35** **The Real Housewives of Cheshire** **11.35** **The Real Housewives of Atlanta** **12.30pm** **The Real Housewives of New Jersey** **1.20** **The Only Way Is Essex** **2.15** **Dinner Date** **3.15** **Million Dollar Listing: LA** **4.10** **The Real Housewives of Atlanta** **5.00** **The Real Housewives of Salt Lake City**

**6.00** **Masters of Flip** Dave and Kortney get to work on a classic brick home.

**7.00** **Million Dollar Listing: LA** David and James host a barbecue.

**8.00** **Dinner Date** Sports streaming engineer Marcus is given five menus, each put together by a potential blind date.

**9.00** **Botched** Double bill. A patient seeks a new nose; a drag queen seeks help.

**11.00** **The Only Way Is Essex** A trip to Tenerife turns into a war of words.

**12.00-1.00am** Ready to Mingle

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**6.00am** Teleshopping **7.10** **London's Burning** **8.00** **Doctors** **9.15** **Classic Holby City** **10.40** **Classic Casualty** **11.40** **The Bill** **12.40pm** **Classic EastEnders** **2.00** **London's Burning** **3.00** **Lovejoy** **4.10** **Tenko** **5.15** **Birds of a Feather**

**6.00** **Waiting for God** Sitcom.

**6.40** **Are You Being Served?** Comedy.

**7.20** **Last of the Summer Wine** Smiler works as a door-to-door salesman.

**8.00** **Father Brown** A convicted killer is given a temporary reprieve and begs Father Brown to help prove her innocence.

**9.00** **Sister Boniface Mysteries** Sister Boniface finds herself on the hunt for a killer doll when a toymaker is murdered.

**10.00** **New Tricks** A retired detective helps the team. Denis Lawson joins the cast.

**11.20** **Soldier, Soldier** The fusiliers take up guard duty at Windsor Castle.

**12.20am** **Lovejoy** **1.30** **David Copperfield**. David revisits Peggotty. **2.35** **Classic Holby City** **4.00-6.00am** Teleshopping

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**8.55am** **A Place in the Sun** **10.25** **A New Life in the Sun** **11.25** **Find It, Fix It, Flog It** **12.30pm** **Come Dine with Me**: five episodes **3.10** **Four in a Bed**: five episodes **5.50** **Chateau DIY**. Janet and Philip are pushed to breaking point.

**6.55** **PopMaster TV** Double bill. With contestants from Kent, Glasgow, Hertfordshire, Dagenham and York; with contestants from Worcester, Perth, Glasgow, Southport and Bedford.

**9.00** **Astrid: Murder in Paris** A man is killed in an ultra-secure factory and the main suspect vanishes – only to return in a haze of strange events. In French.

**10.05** **24 Hours in A&E** Double bill. A woman is brought in with suspected sepsis; a 20-year-old woman is rushed in after being involved in a car crash.

**12.10am** **8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown** **1.15** **The Twelve: Cinderella Murder**. Drama. **2.25** **24 Hours in A&E** **3.30-4.00am** **A Place in the Sun**

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**7.00pm** **Top Gear** Michael Sheen is the Star in a Reasonably Priced Car.

**8.00** **The Traitors US** A deadly mission sees a player take their last breath in the game.

**9.00** **NEW Paranormal: The Village That Saw Aliens** Double bill. Sian Eleri examines the biggest mass UFO sighting in Britain.

**10.00** **A Very British Cult** An investigation into a life coaching company that allegedly ruins lives.

**11.00** **Ladhood** Double bill. Liam is forced to confront his mental health problems; Liam prepares to perform.

**11.50** **I Kissed a Boy** The dinner party concludes with heated words.

**12.40am** **Confessions of a Teenage Fraudster**. Documentary. **1.25** **Boot Dreams: Now or Never** **2.25** **Ladhood** **2.50** **Paranormal: The Village That Saw Aliens** **3.50-4.00am** **Press X to Continue**

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**7.00pm** **TOTP: 1996** Mark Goodier presents the pop chart programme.

**7.30** **TOTP: 1996** Dale Winton presents the pop chart programme.

**8.00** **TOTP: 1987** Performances by John Farnham, Bruce Willis, Beastie Boys and Run DMC.

**8.30** **TOTP: 1982** Featuring Roxy Music, Duran Duran, ABC, Queen, Toyah and Adam Ant.

**9.00** **Disco at the BBC: Volume 2** Selection of classics from the archive.

**10.00** **Disco: Soundtrack of a Revolution** A look at how disco conquered the mainstream charts.

**11.00** **Boogie Fever: A TOTP2 Disco Special** With Chic, Gloria Gaynor and Sophie Ellis-Bextor.

**12.30am** **Sounds of the 70s**. Archive performances. **1.00** **Disco at the BBC: Volume 2** **2.00** **TOTP: 1996** **2.30** **TOTP: 1996** **3.00** **TOTP: 1987** **3.30-4.00am** **TOTP: 1982**

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**6.00am** **Breakfast** with Stephen and Anne **9.30** **Britain's Newsroom** **12.00noon** **Good Afternoon Britain** **3.00** **Martin Daubney**. Updates.

**6.00** **Dewbs & Co** Plain-speaking, straight-talking – Michelle Dewberry delivers her take on the day's news.

**7.00** **Vote 2024: The People Decide** Complete coverage of the general election campaign. All the twists and turns as parties try to win votes.

**8.00** **Friday Night Live with Mark Dolan** Big stories and big guests.

**9.00** **Patrick Christys Tonight**

**11.00** **Headliners** An all-star comedy cast take an intelligent and insightful look at tomorrow's headlines. With Simon Evans and Dominic Frisby.

**12.00m't** **Vote 2024: The People Decide** **1.00** **Friday Night Live** with Mark Dolan **2.00** **Headliners Replay** **3.00** **Patrick Christys Tonight Replay** **5.00-6.00am** **Headliners Replay**

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Sport

**SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT**  
**6.00am** Sky Sports News **7.00** Good Morning Euros. A round-up of the all the Euros news.  
**8.00** **LIVE** **Super Rugby** Blues v Brumbies (kick-off 8.05am). The semi-final match at Eden Park.  
**10.00** **LIVE** **Tennis** The Libema Open. Coverage of day five of the WTA and ATP grass court events, held at Autotron Rosmalen in s-Hertogenbosch, the Netherlands, featuring the quarter-finals.  
**12.30pm** **LIVE** **US Open Golf** Coverage of the second day of the Major, in North Carolina.  
**1.00am** **LIVE** **ICC Men's T20 World Cup** New Zealand v Uganda. Coverage of the Group C match from Brian Lara Cricket Academy.  
**5.30-6.00am** **LIVE** **Super Rugby** Hurricanes v Chiefs (kick-off 5.35am). Live coverage of the semi-final match at Sky Stadium in Wellington.

**SKY SPORTS CRICKET**  
**6.00am** ICC Men's T20 World Cup **7.30** ICC T20 World Cup 2021 **8.00** ICC Men's T20 World Cup **2.10pm** Best of ICC WT20. Australia v Pakistan. **2.30** ICC Men's T20 World Cup  
**3.00** **LIVE** **ICC Men's T20 World Cup** USA v Ireland. The Group A match at Central Broward Park & Broward County Stadium in Florida.  
**7.00** **LIVE** **Vitality T20 Blast Cricket** Birmingham Bears v Yorkshire Vikings. Action from the North Group match at Edgbaston.  
**10.15** Best of T20 Blast Finals Day **10.30** ICC Men's T20 World Cup **11.00** ICC Men's T20 World Cup. England v Oman. Highlights.  
**12.00m't** **LIVE** **ICC Men's T20 World Cup** South Africa v Nepal. Coverage of the Group D match at Arnos Vale Stadium, Kingstown, Saint Vincent.  
**4.30** **LIVE** **ICC Men's T20 World Cup** New Zealand v Uganda. The Group C match.  
**5.30-6.00am** ICC Men's T20 World Cup

**SKY SPORTS FOOTBALL**  
**6.00am** Championship Retro **8.45** EFL Greatest Games **10.00** Championship Retro **12.00noon** EFL Greatest Games. From the 2018/19 season. **1.00** Championship Season Review. The 2020/21 campaign. **2.00** Best Goals Of The Carabao Cup 2020/21 **2.30** EFL Trophy Football **3.00** Championship Retro **5.30** EFL Greatest Games **6.00** Paris: Born to Play **6.30** EFL Greatest Games **7.00** Championship Season Review **8.00** Best Goals: Efl Cup 2021-22 **8.30** EFL Trophy Football **9.00** Old Firm Derby Best Goals **9.30** SPFL: Edinburgh Derby Best Goals **10.00** SPFL Greatest Games **12.00m't** EFL Greatest Games **1.00** Championship Retro **3.00** EFL Cup Retro. The 2013 final. **5.00-6.00am** EFL Rivalries

**TNT SPORTS 1**  
**6.00am** Fishing: On the Bank **7.00** WWE Raw Highlights **8.00** Sign Up – Into Football **8.45** Ultimate Pool. Ultimate Pool Pairs Cup Group 2.  
**10.15** **LIVE** **AFL** Brisbane Lions v St Kilda Saints (bounce-up 10.40am). Coverage of the match from Brisbane Cricket Ground.  
**1.30pm** UEFA Europa Conference League. Olympiacos v Fiorentina. **2.00** UEFA Europa League **2.30** UEFA Champions League **3.00** Premier League Stories **3.30** Premier League Review **4.30** Premier League World Beaters  
**7.00** **LIVE** **WWE Friday Night SmackDown** Wrestling action from WWE Friday Night SmackDown at OVO Hydro in Glasgow.  
**9.00** Fight Inc: Inside the UFC **11.00** Premier League World Beaters **12.00m't** Euro 2024 – Agree or Disagree **12.15** Inside Serie A **12.45** UEFA Champions League Goals Reload. From the quarter-finals. **1.00** NBA Action  
**1.30** **LIVE** **NBA** Dallas Mavericks v Boston Celtics (tip-off 1.30am). Game four of the NBA Finals.  
**4.00** NBA Action. A round-up of the latest action.  
**4.30-7.30am** **LIVE** **AFL** Western Bulldogs v Fremantle Dockers (bounce-up 4.45am).

**TNT SPORTS 2**  
**11.30am** Badminton Weekly **11.45** PSA Squash Highlights **12.45pm** Euro 2024 – Agree or Disagree **1.00** MLB Highlights **2.00** Hockey **6.00** MLB Plays of the Week **6.30** MLB: Off the Bat. Action from Major League Baseball.  
**7.00** **LIVE** **MLB** Chicago Cubs v St Louis Cardinals (start time 7.20pm). Coverage of the National League match from Wrigley Field.  
**10.15** TNT Sports Cricket Reload **10.30** MLB Highlights **11.30** MLB: Off the Bat  
**12.00m't** **LIVE** **MLB** Boston Red Sox v New York Yankees (start time 12.10am). Coverage of the American League match from Fenway Park.  
**3.15** Fishing: On the Bank **4.15** TNT Sports Goals Reload **4.30** TNT Sports Reload  
**5.00-6.00am** PSA Squash Highlights

**EUROSPORT 1**  
**6.00am** Cycling: Tour of Belgium **7.00** Tour of Switzerland **8.00** Mountain Biking **9.00** Olympic Games **10.00** Tour of Belgium **11.00** Tour of Switzerland **12.00noon** Tour of Slovenia  
**2.00** **LIVE** **Tour of Belgium** Stage three, 188.2km from Turnhout to Scherpenheuvel-Zichem.  
**4.00** **LIVE** **Mountain Biking** Coverage of the World Cup meeting from Val di Sole in Italy, featuring the cross-country short-track events.  
**5.30** Roland-Garros **7.00** Cycling **9.00** Mountain Biking **10.00** Roland-Garros **11.00** Cycling **1.00am** FIA World Endurance Championship **2.00** Cycling **4.00** British Speedway **5.00-6.00am** FIA World Endurance Championship

Entertainment & Factual

**ITV3** Freeview 10  
**6.00am** Classic Emmerdale **7.00** Classic Coronation Street **8.05** Agatha Christie's Poirot **10.30** The Royal **11.35** Heartbeat **1.40pm** Classic Emmerdale **2.40** Classic Coronation Street **3.40** Inspector Morse **5.55** Heartbeat **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Shetland **11.30** Lewis **1.10am** Upstairs, Downstairs **2.05-2.30am** Unwind with ITV  
**ITV4** Freeview 26  
**6.00am** World of Sport **6.10** Minder **7.10** The Sweeney **8.10** The Return of Sherlock Holmes **9.15** Magnum, PI **10.20** Kojak **11.25** BattleBots **12.25pm** The Return of Sherlock Holmes **1.35** Magnum, PI **2.40** Kojak **3.40** Minder **4.50** The Sweeney **6.00** **LIVE** World Series of Darts. Coverage of the first day of the Poland Darts Masters. **10.00** All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite **12.00m't** Made in Britain **1.00** The Sweeney **1.55** The Protectors **2.25-3.00am** Unwind with ITV

**5STAR** Freeview 32  
**8.00am** Bargain-Loving Brits in the Sun: double bill **10.00** Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords **11.00** Traffic Cops **2.00pm** Police Interceptors **5.00** Dogs Behaving (Very) Badly **6.00** Home and Away **7.00** GPs: Behind Closed Doors **8.00** Casualty 24/7: Every Second Counts **9.00** **FILM** The Bodyguard (1992/15) Romantic thriller. **★★★★★** **11.40** **FILM** Ocean's 8 (2018/12) **★★★★★** **1.55am** Casualty 24/7: Every Second Counts **2.45** GPs: Behind Closed Doors **3.35-4.00am** Home and Away

**REALLY** Freeview 17  
**6.00am** Fantasy Homes in the City **7.00** Cruise TV with LoveitBookit **8.00** Salvage Hunters **10.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **11.00** Antiques Road Trip **12.00noon** Money for Nothing **2.00** The Repair Shop **3.00** Antiques Road Trip **5.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **7.00** Antiques Road Trip **9.00** Help! My House Is Haunted **10.00** Ghost Adventures **11.00** Help! My House Is Haunted **12.00m't** Unexplained: Caught on Camera **1.00** Paranormal: Caught on Camera **2.00-4.00am** Teleshopping

**5ACTION** Freeview 33  
**9.00am** Car Pound Cops **9.25** Outback Truckers **10.25** Traffic Cops **11.25** **FILM** Apache (1954/U) **★★★★★** **1.15pm** **FILM** Cast a Giant Shadow (1966/PG) **★★★★** **4.00** Outback Truckers **5.00** Traffic Cops **6.00** Police Interceptors **9.00** Police: Night Shift 999 **10.00** Motorway Cops: Catching Britain's Speeders **11.00** Inside the Force **12.00m't** Police Interceptors **1.00** Fights, Camera, Action! **2.00** Trucking Hell **3.50-4.00am** Entertainment News on 5

**SKY ARTS** Freeview 36  
**6.00am** Charles Hazlewood: Beethoven & Me **7.00** Classic FM Rising Stars with Julian Lloyd Webber 2022 **8.00** The Joy of Painting **9.00** Tales of the Unexpected **10.00** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **11.00** Discovering: Peter Ustinov **12.00noon** The Joy of Painting **1.00** Tales of the Unexpected **1.55** Mae West: Dirty Blonde **3.00** Camille Pissarro: The Father of Impressionism **4.00** Discovering: Ian McKellen **5.00** The Joy of Painting **6.00** Tales of the Unexpected

**BBC RADIO 1**  
**97.6-99.8MHz** **6.33am** Best New Pop **6.57** Newsbeat **7.00** Breakfast with Matt and Mollie **10.00** Anthems with Matt and Mollie **10.30** Newsbeat **10.32** Radio 1 Anthems **11.02** Danny Beard **12.45pm** Newsbeat **1.00** Radio 1 at Download **4.00** The Official Chart with James Cusack **5.45** Newsbeat **6.00** Dance Party with Danny Howard **8.00** Future Dance with Sarah Story **10.00** Pete Tong **12.00m't** Essential Mix **2.00** Radio 1 Dance Presents **3.00** Danny Howard Club Mix **4.00** Anthems **5.00-6.00am** Relax

**BBC RADIO 2**  
**88-91MHz** **6.30am** Zoe Ball **9.30** Vernon Kay **12.00noon** Jeremy Vine **2.00** Scott Mills **3.30** Scott Mills' Wonder Years **4.00** Sara Cox **7.00** Michelle Visage **8.30** Michelle Visage's Handbag Hits **9.00** Good Groove with DJ Spooky **11.00** The Rock Show with Johnnie Walker **12.00m't** Romesh Ranganathan: For the Love of Hip-Hop **1.00** Lionel Richie at the BBC **2.00** Angela Griffin **3.00** Sophie Ellis-Bextor **5.00-6.00am** Radio 2 in Concert: Van Morrison

**BBC RADIO 3**  
**90.2-92.4MHz** **6.30am** Breakfast **9.30** Essential Classics **1.00pm** Classical Live **4.00** Composer of the Week: Gibbons **5.00** In Tune **7.00** Classical Mixtape **7.30** Friday Night Is Music Night **9.45** The Essay: Bohemians in T-Shirts **10.40** Late Junction **11.30** 'Round Midnight. The very best in jazz. **12.30-6.30am** Through the Night



**House Of The Dragon**  
**Sky Atlantic, 8.50pm**  
Ahead of the second season, which begins next week, here is another chance to see the first run's conclusion. Daemon (Matt Smith, left) is preparing for war.

**7.00** Alfred Hitchcock Presents **8.00** How the Beatles Changed the World **10.15** Discovering **11.15** Stuart Sutcliffe: The Lost Beatle **12.30am** Guy Garvey: From the Vaults **1.30** Live from the Artists Den **2.45** Led Zeppelin: In the Light **4.00** Cheltenham Literature Festival **5.00-6.00am** Auction

**GOLD**  
**7.10am** The Fosters **8.05** The Green Grass **9.20** My Hero **10.00** Are You Being Served? **10.40** Still Open All Hours **11.20** Last of the Summer Wine **12.40pm** The Green Grass **1.20** My Hero **2.00** Still Open All Hours **2.40** Dad's Army **3.20** Are You Being Served? **4.00** Last of the Summer Wine **5.20** Still Open All Hours **6.00** The Green Grass **6.40** Dad's Army **8.00** Only Fools and Horses **8.40** The Thin Blue Line **9.20** Victoria Wood as Seen on TV **10.00** The Royle Family **10.40** Mrs Brown's Boys **12.00m't** Only Fools and Horses **12.40** The Thin Blue Line **1.20** Victoria Wood as Seen on TV **2.00** The Royle Family **2.30-4.00am** The Thin Blue Line

**YESTERDAY** Freeview 27  
**6.10am** Hornby: A Model World **8.00** Abandoned Engineering **10.00** The World at War **11.00** World War Weird **12.00noon** Great British Railway Journeys **1.00** Antiques Roadshow **2.00** Bangers & Cash **4.00** The World at War **5.00** World War Weird **6.00** Antiques Roadshow **7.00** Canal Boat Diaries **8.00** Hornby: A Model World **10.00** Bangers & Cash **11.00** Abandoned Engineering **12.00m't** Great British Railway Journeys **1.00-2.00am** Abandoned Engineering

**ALIBI**  
**7.10am** Murdoch Mysteries: double bill **9.00** The Coroner **10.00** Elementary **11.00** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **12.00noon** Father Brown **1.00** Death in Paradise **2.00** Murdoch Mysteries **4.00** Elementary **5.00** Father Brown **6.00** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **7.00** Elementary **8.00** Death in Paradise: triple bill **11.20** Elementary **12.15am** Why Women Kill **1.20** Unforgettable **2.20-4.00am** Murdoch Mysteries

**SKY MAX**  
**6.00am** NCIS: Los Angeles **7.00** DC's Legends of Tomorrow **8.00** The Flash **9.00** Stargate SG-1 **11.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **12.00noon** The Flash **1.00** MacGyver **3.00** Hawaii Five-0 **4.00** S.W.A.T **5.00** DC's Legends of Tomorrow **6.00** Stargate SG-1

Radio

**CHOICE**  
**Friday Night Is Music Night Radio 3, 7.30pm**  
Clare Teal is at Cardiff's Hoddinott Hall to present a show celebrating music from popular American stage shows and films. There are songs from *Mary Poppins*, *Beauty And The Beast*, *Guys And Dolls*, *The Wizard Of Oz*, *Funny Girl*, *Singing In The Rain*, *West Side Story*, *Dear Evan Hansen* and *Wicked*.

**BBC RADIO 4**  
**FM 92.4-94.6MHz** **6.00am** Today **9.00** Desert Island Discs **10.00** Woman's Hour **11.00** There's Only One Michael Mosley **11.45** Book of the Week: All That Glitters **12.00noon** News **12.04** Rare Earth **1.00** The World at One **1.45** Understand: The UK Election **2.00** The Archers **2.15** Drama: The Specialist **2.45** Child **3.00** Gardeners' Question Time **3.45** Short Works **4.00** Last Word **4.30** More or Less **5.00** PM **6.00** News **6.30** The News Quiz **7.00** The Archers **7.15** Add to Playlist **8.00** Any Questions? **9.00** Free Thinking **10.00** The World Tonight **10.45** Book at Bedtime: The Photographer **11.00** Americast **11.30** The Bottom Line: The Decisions That Made Me a Leader **12.00m't** News **12.30** Book of the Week: All That Glitters **12.48** Shipping Forecast **1.00** As BBC World Service **5.20** Shipping Forecast **5.30** News **5.43** Prayer for the Day **5.45-6.00am** NatureBang

**8.00** A League of Their Own: Mexican Road Trip **9.00** The Walking Dead: The Ones Who Live **10.00** Never Mind the Buzzcocks **11.30** The Walking Dead **12.30am** Brit Cops: Rapid Response **1.30** Road Wars **3.00** Hawaii Five-0 **4.00-5.00am** S.W.A.T

**SKY ATLANTIC**  
**6.00am** The Guest Wing **7.55** Six Feet Under **10.05** Billions **12.15pm** Game of Thrones **1.20** The Sopranos **3.30** Six Feet Under **5.30** Billions **6.35** Gomorrah **7.35** Game of Thrones **8.50** House of the Dragon **10.00** House of the Dragon: War Room **11.00** The Time Traveler's Wife: triple bill **1.55am** Euphoria **3.05** Game of Thrones **4.20-6.00am** The Guest Wing

**SKY WITNESS**  
**6.00am** Air Ambulance ER **7.00** Border Patrol **8.00** UK Border Force **9.00** 999 Frontline **10.00** Bull **11.00** Blue Bloods **12.00noon** New Amsterdam **1.00** 9-1-1 **2.00** FBI: Most Wanted **3.00** Caught Red Handed **4.30** Nothing to Declare **7.00** Caught on Dashcam **8.00** Chicago Med **9.00** Chicago Fire **10.00** Chicago PD **11.00** The Equalizer **12.00m't** The Cleaning Lady **1.00** The Rookie **2.00** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit **3.00** FBI: Most Wanted **4.00** Bull **5.00-6.00am** Air Ambulance ER

**SKY COMEDY**  
**8.00am** Will & Grace **9.00** The Conners **10.00** Sort Of **10.30** Veep **11.40** Entourage **12.50pm** High Maintenance **2.10** Veep **3.20** Entourage **4.30** Sort Of **5.00** Will & Grace **6.00** The Office (US) **7.00** The Conners **8.00** Will & Grace **9.00** Young Rock **10.00** Jerrod Carmichael Reality Show **11.15** The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon **12.15am** Ricky Velez: Here's Everything **1.25** Sex and the City **2.40** Sort Of **3.10** Flatbush Misdemeanors **3.50-5.00am** High Maintenance

**DISCOVERY**  
**6.00am** How It's Made **7.00** Deadliest Catch **8.00** Building Off the Grid **9.00** Combat Dealers **10.00** Demolition Down Under **11.00** Wheeler Dealers **1.00pm** Barnwood Builders **3.00** Gold Rush **4.00** Alaska: Homestead Rescue **6.00** Demolition Down Under **7.00** Bitchin' Rides **8.00** Gold Rush: Parker's Trail **9.00** Moonshiners **10.00** Blowing Up History **11.00** Outback Truckers **12.00m't** Gold Divers **1.00** Moonshiners **2.00** Blowing Up History **3.00** Gold Rush: Parker's Trail **4.00-5.00am** Moonshiners

**NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC**  
**8.00am** Food Factory **9.00** Air Crash Investigation **10.00** World War II: Secrets from Above **11.00** Europe from Above **12.00noon** Car S.O.S **1.00** To Catch a Smuggler **2.00** Air Crash Investigation **3.00** Drain the Oceans: Rise of the Roman Empire **4.00** Lost Treasures of Rome **5.00** Car S.O.S **6.00** Erased: WWII Heroes of Colour **7.00** Air Crash Investigation **8.00** Apocalypse: The Rise of Hitler **10.00** Churchill's German Army **11.00** Air Crash Investigation **12.00m't** To Catch a Smuggler **1.00** Drain the Oceans: Deep Dive **2.00** Abandoned **2.30** Food Factory **3.20** Lords of War **4.10-5.00am** Exotic Animal ER

**BBC RADIO 5 LIVE**  
**693/909kHz** **6.00am** Breakfast **9.00** Nicky Campbell **11.00** Chiles on Friday **1.00pm** Elis James and John Robins **2.00** Colin Murray **4.00** 5 Live Drive **6.30** 5 Live Sport **8.00** 5 Live Sport. Germany v Scotland (kick-off 8.00pm). **10.30** 6-0-6 **12.00m't** Lisa McCormick **4.00** The Toone and Russo Show **5.00-6.00am** 5 Live Boxing

**BBC RADIO WALES**  
**FM: 94.6MHz** **6.00am** News Update **6.05** Wake Up with Radio Wales **6.30** All Things Considered **7.00** Breakfast **9.00** Wynne Evans **12.00noon** The Phone In **2.00** Eleri Sion **5.00** Radio Wales Drive **6.28** Party Election Broadcast **6.30** Arts Show **7.00** Radio Wales Sport **10.00** Friday Night H **12.00m't** The Party Playlist with H **1.00** As Radio 5 Live **5.00-7.00am** Vicki Blight

**CLASSIC FM**  
**100-102MHz** **6.30am** Breakfast with Dan Walker **9.00** The Classic FM Hall of Fame Hour **10.00** Alexander Armstrong **1.00pm** Anne-Marie Minhall **4.00** Margherita Taylor **7.00** Classic FM at the Movies with Jonathan Ross **9.00** Traditional Tunes with Iona Stephen **10.00** Calm Classics **1.00am** Katie Breathwick **4.00-7.00am** Sam Pittis

**ABSOLUTE RADIO**  
**DAB 6.00am** Dave Berry **10.00** Leona Graham **1.00pm** Ben Burrell **4.00** Bush and Richie **7.00** Absolute 80s Greatest Hits with Claire Sturgess **10.00** Ben Coley **4.00-8.00am** Jennie Longdon

Movies

**FILM4**  
**11.00am** **13 Rue Madeleine** (1946/U) Second World War spy thriller, starring James Cagney and Walter Abel. **★★**  
**12.55pm** **Anne of the Indies** (1951/U) High-seas adventure, starring Jean Peters, Louis Jourdan and Debra Paget. **★★★**  
**2.35** **Rio Grande** (1950/U) Western, starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara. **★★★★★**  
**4.45** **A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood** (2019/PG) Director Marielle Heller's drama based on a true story, starring an Oscar and Bafta-nominated Tom Hanks. **★★★★★**  
**6.55** **Sleepless in Seattle** (1993/PG) Romantic comedy, with Tom Hanks. **★★★★★**  
**9.00** **Mission: Impossible – Fallout** (2018/12) The sixth entry in the action thriller saga, with Tom Cruise and Henry Cavill. **★★★★★**  
**11.55** **Con Air** (1997/18) Action thriller, starring Nicolas Cage and John Malkovich. **★★★★★**  
**2.10-3.55am** **Slice** (2018/15) Comedy horror, starring Chris Parnell and Paul Scheer. **★★★**

**SKY CINEMA PREMIERE**  
**7.00am** **The Great Escaper** (2023/12) See 8.00pm for details. **★★★★★**  
**8.45** **Boonie Bears: Guardian Code** (2023/PG) Animation, featuring the voices of Joseph S Lambert and Paul 'Maxx' Rinehart. **★★★**  
**10.30** **Ride On** (2023/PG) Action drama, with Jackie Chan and Liu Haocun. **★★★★★**  
**12.45pm** **The Great Escaper** (2023/12) See 8.00pm for details. **★★★★★**  
**2.30** **Meg 2: The Trench** (2023/12) See 9.40pm for details. **★★★**  
**4.30** **Bonus Track** (2023/15) Comedy, with Joe Anders and Samuel Small. **★★★**  
**6.15** **Am I OK?** (2022/15) Romantic comedy drama, starring Dakota Johnson. **★★★**  
**8.00** **The Great Escaper** (2023/12) Premiere. A war veteran sneaks out of his care home in Hove to attend a D-Day commemoration. Drama, starring Michael Caine. **★★★★★**  
**9.40** **Meg 2: The Trench** (2023/12) Thriller sequel, starring Jason Statham. **★★★**  
**11.40** **The Royal Hotel** (2023/18) Thriller, with Julia Garner and Jessica Henwick. **★★★**  
**1.15am** **Cult Killer** (2023/15) Thriller, starring Alice Eve and Antonio Banderas. **★★★**  
**3.15** **Am I OK?** (2022/15) See 6.15pm. **★★★**  
**5.00-6.40am** **The Inseparables** (2023/U) Animated adventure, featuring the voices of Monica Young and Danny Fehsenfeld. **★★★**

**SKY CINEMA DRAMA**  
**5.55pm** **The Girl on the Train** (2016/15) Thriller based on Paula Hawkins' novel, with Emily Blunt and Rebecca Ferguson. **★★★★★**  
**8.00** **Lost in Translation** (2003/15) Sofia Coppola's comedy drama, starring Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson. **★★★★★**  
**9.45** **Forrest Gump** (1994/12) Drama, with Tom Hanks and Sally Field. **★★★★★**  
**12.15am** **Guys and Dolls** (1955/PG) Musical, starring Frank Sinatra. **★★★★★**  
**2.55** **The Pact** (2012/15) Horror, starring Caity Lotz and Casper Van Dien. **★★★**  
**4.35-6.40am** **Young at Heart** (1954/U) Musical, with Frank Sinatra and Doris Day. **★★★★★**

**SKY CINEMA FAMILY**  
**4.00pm** **Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile** (2022/PG) Musical, starring Javier Bardem. **★★★★★**  
**5.55** **Swallows and Amazons** (2016/PG) Period drama, with Rafe Spall. **★★★★★**  
**7.45** **The Portable Door** (2023/PG) Fantasy, with Christoph Waltz and Sam Neill. **★★★★★**  
**9.50** **The Tiger Rising** (2022/PG) Drama, with Dennis Quaid and Queen Latifah. **★★★**  
**11.45** **Step Dogs** (2013/U) Family comedy, starring Joris Jarsky and Ryan Belleville. **★★**  
**1.20am** **Hot Dog Derby** (2013/U) Family comedy, starring Jason London. **★★**  
**2.55** **Problem Child** (1990/PG) Comedy, with John Ritter and Michael Oliver. **★★★**  
**4.25-6.20am** **The Next Karate Kid** (1994/PG) Martial arts sequel, with Pat Morita. **★★★**

**TALKING PICTURES TV**  
**7.05pm** **Millions Like Us** (1943/U) Second World War drama, starring Patricia Roc, Eric Portman and Gordon Jackson. **★★★★★**  
**9.05** **Without Warning** (1980/18) Horror, with Jack Palance and Martin Landau. **★★★**  
**11.00pm** **Serpent's Lair** (1995/18) Horror, with Jeff Fahey and Lisa Barbuscia. **★★★**  
**12.55am** **Unearthly Stranger** (1963/PG) Sci-fi adventure, starring John Neville. **★★★**  
**2.30-4.10am** **Deathsport** (1978/18) Sci-fi drama,



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Wed 24 Cruising by the Skelligs, Inishnabro & by Tearaght Island

Thu 25 Killybegs, Ireland

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Sun 28 Cruising by Fingal's Cave, Dutchman's Cap (Bac Mòr), The Small Isles & by Neist Point Lighthouse

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By Deborah Stone

# Recharging of an old battery

**B**UILDING more homes was one of the central features of the Conservative Party's election manifesto this week and its emphasis on using brownfield sites in preference to the greenbelt surrounding our towns and cities is likely to be welcomed by most people.

An Ipsos survey last summer revealed that 60 per cent of people in the UK are in favour of retaining the current greenbelt rules, although some industry experts say there are not enough brownfield sites to build the 320,000 homes a year promised.

"The UK is in urgent need of solutions to address the housing shortages and developing brownfield sites could be an effective piece to the puzzle," says Terry Woodley, managing director of development finance at retail and commercial bank Shawbrook. "However, it is not the sole solution and it can come with its challenges."

"Though our research shows that 77 per cent of developers agree that location is still the biggest driver of property sales, and brownfield sites allow for attractive urban living options, the sites can often pose a unique set of challenges and may not be as attractive to developers compared to other options."

Building on brownfield sites can be expensive because of possible clean-up costs of former industrial land and dealing with any protected wildlife there.

However, derelict buildings can often become an eyesore, as was the case at Station Fields, brownfield land at Tanfield Lea in County Durham, nine miles



**GREEN APPEAL:** Tanfield Lea's new homes, including solar panels, promote sustainable living

south-west of Newcastle. More than 140 homes are being built on the former site of an Ever Ready battery factory, which employed 1,000 people at its peak in the 1970s but was closed in 1996. Buildings fell into disrepair over the years and there was a major fire on the site in 2002.

Story Homes is now working with Miller Homes North East to build two, three, four and five-bedroom homes there, with eight two-bedroom affordable houses.

More than £286,000 will be spent on the area including £140,000 towards a bus service and bus infrastructure, £60,000 to create a cycleway and footpath plus £86,400 towards sports facilities.

The open-plan houses will have energy-saving features such as solar panels, as well as bin collection points to aid recycling, visitor parking bays and a sustainable drainage system to help filter run off from heavy rainfall.

Although no prices have been published yet it is possible to register an interest at millerhomes.co.uk and the company has a Make It Your Own policy so buyers can choose tiles, worktops and more using its online visualiser.

Miller Homes is just one of several developers building on the former factory site in Tanfield – once a mining village near Stanley – with one of the oldest churches in the area, St Margaret's, built by monks in 900AD.

Yesterday's Labour manifesto also pledged to focus on brownfield building, but if elected the party would create a greybelt category, described as ugly places such as old car parks and wasteland on greenbelt land, which could provide sites for new homes.

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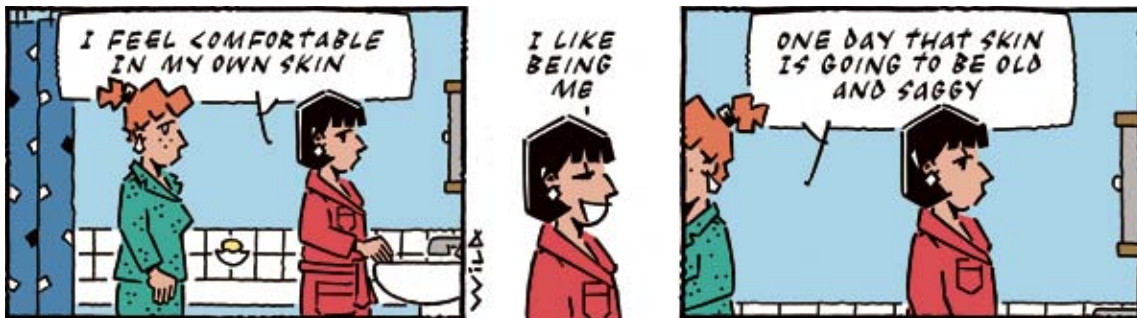
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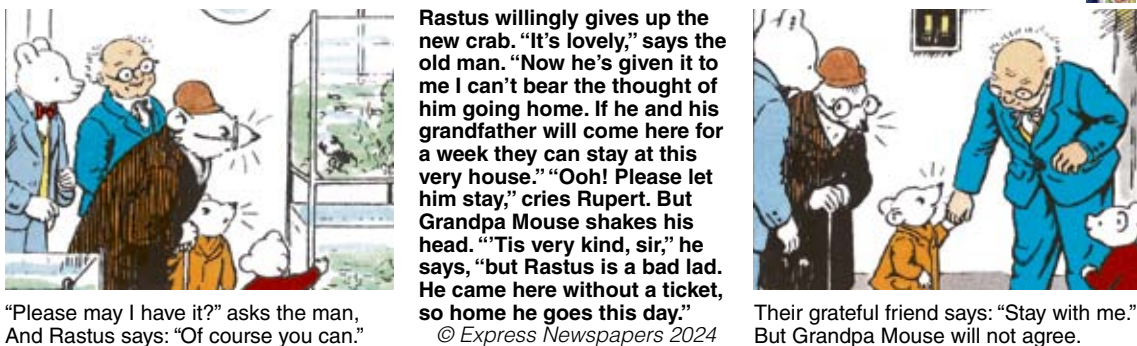
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1 tbsp paprika

1 medium courgette, chopped

1 small yellow pepper, chopped

6 to 8 chestnut mushrooms, sliced

7cm chunk of chorizo sausage, sliced

1 (400g) tin chopped tomatoes

50g manchego cheese, grated

### METHOD

- 1) Preheat oven to 180C.
- 2) Put the chicken breasts into a large casserole dish and sprinkle with the garlic and paprika.
- 3) Add all the chopped vegetables and chorizo and pour over the tomatoes. Sprinkle with cheese.
- 4) Cook in the oven for 30 minutes or until chicken is cooked through.
- 5) Serve hot alongside salad and crusty bread or with potatoes.



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## Russell Grant



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**Aries** Mar 21 - Apr 20

Now the pressure is off and you feel less stressed, you can relax and view things from a different perspective. As you consider all you've recently been through you might acknowledge you handled some difficult situations very efficiently.

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**Taurus** Apr 21 - May 21

You need something new to get your teeth into. Enrol on a study course that captures your imagination. Take any opportunity to make better use of your skills and creative potential. A workplace experiment could lead to a breakthrough.

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**Gemini** May 22 - June 21

A senior colleague is not as knowledgeable as they make themselves out to be. Following their advice could land you in trouble. If you have questions about someone's words get a second opinion. Handle important issues on your own.

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**Libra** Sep 24 - Oct 23

There's a temptation to pass on some work, tasks or responsibilities to someone else. If you do, you won't be able to complain when they get all the credit. If you disagree with the increasing charges of some services, find out your rights.

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**Scorpio** Oct 24 - Nov 22

It seems unfair to have to stand back and watch a workmate struggle. It might go against a senior colleague's wishes, but you will find a way to help and support others and in such a way that ensures no-one else finds out about it.

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**Sagittarius** Nov 23 - Dec 21

A possessive friend or partner's demands are making you uncomfortable. If you keep giving in you're in danger of losing your identity. You can't make others happy as you want to if your own needs and feelings aren't being acknowledged.

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**Cancer** June 22 - July 23

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**Leo** July 24 - Aug 23

Even if it is an inconvenience you seem to have no choice about having to attend an official meeting. You might be asked to take charge of arrangements at a moment's notice or your boss will demand that you juggle your schedule to attend.

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**Virgo** Aug 24 - Sep 23

Someone is promising bigger things than they can deliver. They may not intentionally do so but you will need to ask plenty of questions to determine which are the most realistic and sincere offers and which aren't likely to ever happen.

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**Capricorn** Dec 22 - Jan 20

Prepare well in advance if you're to entertain visitors from afar. Make use of your creative skills to add decorative touches to your home. Give careful thought to the comfort of your guests. Are you single? Someone will play hard to get.

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**Aquarius** Jan 21 - Feb 19

Discussions and activities within a local group will be mind-expanding. You could find yourself mixing with some unconventional people and it will be fun to have this chance to see the world and others in it from a new perspective.

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**Pisces** Feb 20 - Mar 20

Go with the desire to remain close to home. Whether it's because you want to avoid someone being argumentative or you want to get involved in a new domestic project is immaterial. What's important is that you follow your own inclinations.

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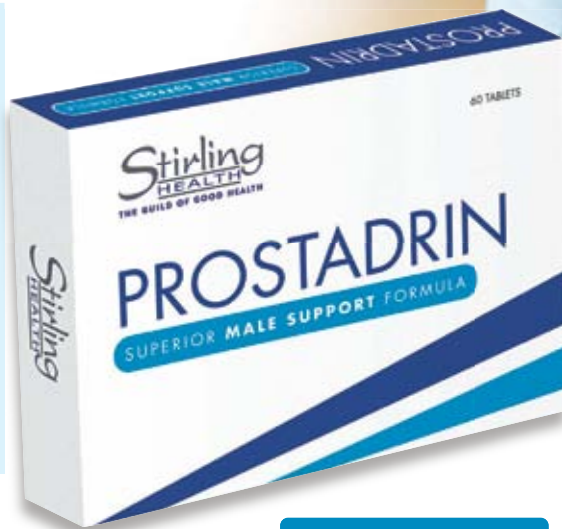
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## UK workers will bankroll Starmer's socialist folly

THE young and the naive have fallen for Labour's empty promises. When you have lived through several Labour Governments – each one a disaster – you don't want to go back to the dark days of the 1970s, which is exactly where we are heading under Labour.

Just remember, in this life you get nothing for free because there is always a catch – meaning someone has to pay for their empty promises. And that will be you, the everyday working person.

Veronica Hall,  
Potters Bar, Herts

## Rishi's lost the public but Sir Keir has lost the plot

THE British people are obviously no fans of Rishi Sunak as PM and have little trust in his promises, although acknowledging his hard work and energy ("Party leaders in TV grilling", June 13).

However a vote for Labour will be a vote for pure old-fashioned socialism with a "rinse the rich" mentality driving away corporations from our shores and bringing on higher unemployment.

Warren Browning,  
Rugby, Warks

## Same old stodge on menu no matter who is in power

SIR Keir Starmer and his Labour Party repeatedly tell us that there will be a "change" in politics if we vote them into power. The truth is that there will be no discernible change at all, regardless of who wins the keys to No.10. It will be the same old political menu reheated and served up to a British public with no appetite for anything the government has to offer.

Stefan Badham,  
Portsmouth

## The cosy elite are in for a huge shock on polling day

LOOKING at all politicians, whoever you support, it is obvious few understand what the public want. It's all "jam tomorrow".

We should not be worrying about our outside enemies, but the ones inside who want the downfall of this country at any cost. These few don't care about decent people. This election could surprise us all.

Paul Freemont,  
Poole, Dorset

## I'm with Ann, our country needs Reform and Farage

THE Conservatives are going to cut immigration, improve tax relief for pensioners and recruit more police. If only they had been doing this for the past 14 years I might have voted for them. But I will be voting for a party with much more common sense, along with Ann Widdecombe ("Reform has common sense by the boatload", June 12).

Duncan Smith,  
Welling, Gtr London

## Manifestos always look on the bright side of life

NOW we have seen what the political parties are offering us in

## Letter of the day



CHAOS: Rubbish piles up in Winter of Discontent in 1979

## Has everyone forgotten how bad Labour is?

IT'S looking like Labour is going to win the election, mainly because the people who will be voting Labour have no idea of the mess when it was in power in the 1970s ("Tories warn against Labour supermajority", June 13).

Inflation at 25 per cent, no one cleared the rubbish, you couldn't bury your dead because unions picketed the graveyards, we borrowed billions from the International Monetary Fund with restrictions on how we used it.

Now Sir Keir Starmer wants 16-year-olds to be given the vote, plus millions of overseas students. If we went on holiday to Malta would we be allowed to vote? Of course not.

I almost forgot, the "I'm afraid there is no money" letter when Labour left office in 2010.

John Baker,  
Exeter

their manifestos ("Starmer points the way to Labour future", June 13), I am reminded of a line from Monty Python's *Life Of Brian* – "Promised me the known world, he did. I was to be taken to Rome, housed by the forum, slaves, asses' milk, as much gold as I could eat."

Alfie Kent,  
Grantham, Lincs

## Future OAPs count cost of Tories' NI pension fudge

IF NATIONAL Insurance contributions are not connected to the state pension (as Jeremy Hunt and Rishi Sunak would have us believe) why do you need 35 years of NI contributions to qualify for the full pension ("End of NI for most self-employed among the key pledges as Tories target economy", June 12)?

I'm fortunate enough to be drawing my pension already but I fear for younger workers being as fortunate if this tax is eradicated. How will pensions be paid for if not by some form of taxation?

Kathryn Hill,  
Queniborough, Leics

## Sunak's headline-grabbing illegals plan gets my vote

WHAT a great front page headline ("Tory ambition to deport 100,000

illegal migrants", June 12). A vote-winner, but why stop there? Include all the illegals in our prisons after coming to the UK for a better life, only to abuse our hospitality. And their families.

Don't just talk about it, do it.

David Mitchell,  
Lyttchett Matravers, Dorset

## Escort every boat back to France and end this crisis

WE WILL never stop the boats until we stop escorting them to our shores instead of escorting them back to France, where they were in a safe country already.

Anyone from the UK attempting to enter another country without the appropriate paperwork would be denied entry. No other country in the world would house us in a hotel with three meals a day and a cash allowance.

Get a grip. Get real. Sort it now.

Patricia East,  
Guildford, Surrey

## Buy £500k Scottish island and build tent village on it

I NOTICE there is an island off the Scottish mainland for sale ("Summer idyll all year round for £500,000...", June 12).

What a steal – the Government should purchase it immediately and

set up a migrant camp. Tents will do as that is how they live the other side of the Channel. I bet the boats would soon stop coming.

Carol Berry,  
Marnhull, Dorset

## Summer stop and search for all balaclava wearers

IT WOULD seem the police would have plenty of justification to stop and search people who wear balaclavas in the summertime and check why ("Masked mugger grabs phone from terrified star Annabel" June 12). Face coverings in hot weather can only mean one thing: avoiding recognition. We need more police action on this urgently.

John Fox,  
St Brelade, Jersey

## Why do sensible folk back orange Trumpa Loompa?

I HAVE noted many people give their backing to former President Trump, the orange idiot ("Trump prison options are now being 'looked at'", June 10).

So destroying US democracy, women's right to choose, brutal revenge on anyone he dislikes and emboldening Vladimir Putin is all right by these people?

Edward Philpott,  
Neston, Cheshire

## IS IT RIGHT THAT STUDENTS DO PART-TIME JOBS AT UNI?

**Yes** WHEN our eldest daughter was studying for a law degree at a Russell Group university a few years ago, her contact time with lecturers was 10 hours a week. To me, that's a long day at work ("Students doing more paid work", June 13).

What a lot of people

don't realise is students have a lot of time on their hands. It takes them a while to get used to their freedom.

So I don't think it's too much to ask for them to supplement their student loans with a bit of part-time work. It'll do them good.

Emma Shackleton,  
Liverpool

**No** STUDENTS go to university primarily to study. OK so they might have a good time in bars and clubs while they're there but they should be enjoying their freedom, not grafting to make ends meet.

Doing a part-time job is short-termist. Why would you jeopardise a

qualification that you work three years for because you had to work long shifts behind a bar to pay your heating bill?

The answer is to scrap student loans and pay a decent grant. Then sit back and watch as grades quickly improve.

Scott Douglas,  
Derby

**TODAY: Friday  
June 14, 2024**

## ON THIS DAY



### 67 years ago (1957)

We told of horror in the capital as seven people were killed when a double decker bus mounted the pavement on London's Oxford Street. Another 20 people were injured and one later died.

It emerged that the bus driver, Harold Hiscocks, 63 – who had never had an accident in 18 years of driving buses – had suffered a blackout at the wheel.

### 42 years ago (1982)

A ceasefire was declared in the Falklands War as 7,000 Argentine troops fled their positions outside the capital Port Stanley. This left the British force under Major General Jeremy Moore free to break through defences and march into the capital.

Some 649 Argentine personnel, 255 British troops and three islanders died during the conflict.

### 75 years ago (1949)

US scientists launched a primate into space on a V-2 rocket. Albert II, a rhesus monkey, survived the flight and reached 83 miles into space but on return he died on impact when the capsule parachute failed to open.

Primates were launched before human spaceflight so scientists could research the biological impact on the body.

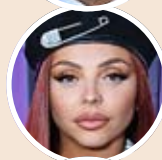
## BIRTHDAYS



Pop star **Boy George** is 63. His full name is George Alan O'Dowd. Germany's Chancellor



**Olaf Scholz** is 66. He has the nickname "Scholzomat" for his robotic speaking style. Singer



**Jesy Nelson** is 33. She was a child extra in the Harry Potter And The Goblet Of Fire film.



Ex-tennis star **Steffi Graf** is 55. She lives in Las Vegas.

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| Avon Rubber.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | F&C Smaller Cos.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Anglo American.....                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Babcock International.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | F&C US Smaller Companies.....    |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Anglo Pacific.....                     |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| BAE Systems.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Fidelity Asian.....              |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Antofagasta.....                       |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| QinetiQ Group.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Fidelity Japanese.....           |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Centamin Egypt.....                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Rolls-Royce Group.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Fidelity Special.....            |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Endeavour Mining.....                  |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Senior.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Finsbury Gwth&In.....            |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Fresnillo.....                         |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Alternative Energy   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Foresight Tech.VCT.....          |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Gem Diamonds.....                      |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Porvair.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Gartmore Euro.....               |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Glencore.....                          |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Banks  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Genesis E.M.F.....               |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Hochschild Mining.....                 |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Barclays.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Graphite Ent.....                |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Kenmare Res.....                       |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Bco Santander.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Hansa Tst 'A'.....               |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | London & Ass.Prop.....                 |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Close Brothers.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Hansa Tst Plc.....               |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Petra Diamonds.....                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| CYBG.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Henderson Euro.Tst.....          |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Rio Tinto.....                         |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| HSBC Holdings.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Henderson Far Est.....           |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Mobile Telecommunications              |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Investec.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Henderson High Inc.....          |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Vodafone Group.....                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Lloyds Banking Grp.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Henderson Opp Tst.....           |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Nonequity Investment Instruments       |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Metro Bank.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Herald Inv.Tst.....              |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Oryx Int.Gwth.....                     |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| NatWest Group.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | HGC Capital Tst.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Rights &Issinc.....                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Standard Chartered.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | HSBC Infrastructure.....         |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Nonlife Insurance                      |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Beverages  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Impax Env.Mkt.....               |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Admiral Group.....                     |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Barr (AG).....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Int.Biotech.Tst.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Beazley Group.....                     |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Britvic.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | International Public.....        |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Direct Line Insurance.....             |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Coca-Cola HBC.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Invesco Asia.....                |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Hiscox.....                            |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Diageo.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Invesco Perp UK.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Lancashire.....                        |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Chemicals  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM American.....                |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Oil & Gas Producers                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Cardco.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Asian.....                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | BP.....                                |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Croda International.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Claverhouse.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Cairn Energy.....                      |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Elementis.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Emerg Mkt.....               |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Enquest.....                           |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Johnson Matthey.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Euro Sml Co.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Gulf Keystone Pet.....                 |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Synthomer.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Global Emerging.....         |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Harbour Energy.....                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| Victrex.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Japanese.....                |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Shell.....                             |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Construction & Materials   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Overseas IT.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Soco International.....                |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Balfour Beatty.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | JPM Smaller Co.....              |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Tullow Oil.....                        |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| Morgan Crucible.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Montanaro UK.....                |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Real Estate Investment & Services      |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Oxford Instruments.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Murray Inc.Tst.....              |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Boot (Henry).....                      |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| Artemis Alpha.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Polar Cap.Tech.....              |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Real Estate Investment Trusts          |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| BlackRock Mining.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Schroder UK M&S.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Helical Bar.....                       |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| Brunner Inv.Tst.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Shires Inc.....                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Primary Health.....                    |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
| Caledonia Inv.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Sml Comp Div.Tst.....            |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | SEGRO.....                             |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| Dunedin Ent.IT.....  |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Standard Life UK Sml.....        |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Workspace Group.....                   |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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| Edin.US Tracker.....   |  |  |  |  |       |     |              |             | Throgmorton Tst.....             |  |  |  |  |  |  |         |  | Just Eat Takeaway.....                 |  |  |       |     |              |             |  |  |
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## AT A GLANCE

| STOCK MARKET   |                |   |        |
|----------------|----------------|---|--------|
| FTSE 100       | 8163.7         | ▼ | -51.8  |
| FTSE 250       | 20196.0        | ▼ | -301.5 |
| FTSE ALL SHARE | 4448.7         | ▼ | -33.7  |
| Shares Traded  | 6480.4 million |   |        |

| POPULAR SHARES ON THE RISE |      |     |  |
|----------------------------|------|-----|--|
| BT Group                   | 135  | +5½ |  |
| GSK                        | 1610 | +5  |  |
| Haleon                     | 325¼ | +5  |  |
| Sainsbury (J)              | 258¼ | +1¼ |  |
| Tesco                      | 302½ | +½  |  |
| Unilever                   | 4415 | +22 |  |

| POPULAR SHARES ON THE SLIDE |       |      |  |
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| Abrdn                       | 144¼  | -7   |  |
| AstraZeneca                 | 12392 | -74  |  |
| Aviva                       | 471½  | -5¼  |  |
| BAE Systems                 | 1383  | -5½  |  |
| Barclays                    | 205¼  | -3½  |  |
| BP                          | 460   | -5   |  |
| Centrica                    | 130¼  | -2   |  |
| Convatec Group              | 253   | -¾   |  |
| HSBC Holdings               | 673¼  | -8½  |  |
| Int Consolidated Airlines   | 167   | -2¼  |  |
| Lloyds Banking Group        | 54    | -1   |  |
| Marks & Spencer Group       | 297   | -5½  |  |
| National Grid               | 872¼  | -4¼  |  |
| NatWest Group               | 308¼  | -1¼  |  |
| Rolls-Royce Holdings        | 467¼  | -1½  |  |
| Saga                        | 116½  | -3   |  |
| Shell                       | 2724  | -20½ |  |
| Vodafone Group              | 68¼   | -¼   |  |
| Whitbread                   | 2937  | -67  |  |

| WORLD MARKETS |          |   |        |
|---------------|----------|---|--------|
| TOKYO         | 38,647.1 | ▼ | -65.1  |
| HONG KONG     | 38720.5  | ▼ | -156.2 |
| GERMANY       | 18112.6  | ▲ | +174.8 |
| FRANCE        | 18265.7  | ▼ | -365.2 |
| FRANCE        | 7708.0   | ▼ | -156.7 |

| STERLING VALUE |         |   |        |
|----------------|---------|---|--------|
| Dollar         | 1.275   | ▼ | -0.005 |
| Yen            | 200.094 | ▼ | -0.478 |
| Euro           | 1.187   | ▲ | +0.003 |

| DOLLAR VALUE |         |   |         |
|--------------|---------|---|---------|
| Dollar/Yen   | 156.901 | ▲ | +0.1831 |
| Dollar/Euro  | 0.931   | ▲ | +0.0060 |

| COMMODITIES     |         |   |  |
|-----------------|---------|---|--|
| GOLD(\$)        | 2311.90 | ▼ |  |
| KRUGERRAND(£)   | 1812.39 | ▼ |  |
| SILVER(pence)   | 2281.07 | ▼ |  |
| BRENT CRUDE(\$) | 82.81   | ▲ |  |

| OTHER INDICATORS      |                   |  |  |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Base rate             | 5.25%             |  |  |
| Halifax mortgage rate | 5.98%             |  |  |
| Retail Price Index    | +3.3% (CPI +2.3%) |  |  |
| House price Index     | 0.7%              |  |  |
| Unemployment          | 1,510,000         |  |  |

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## TOURIST'S POUND

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Australia     | 1.87 dollar   |
| Canada        | 1.70 dollar   |
| China         | 8.59 renminbi |
| Czech Rep.    | 27.13 koruna  |
| Denmark       | 8.37 krone    |
| Eurozone      | 1.16 euro     |
| Hong Kong     | 9.38 dollar   |
| Hungary       | 434.46 forint |
| Israel        | 4.44 shekel   |
| Japan         | 192.83 yen    |
| Jordan        | 0.85 dinar    |
| Mexico        | 22.62 peso    |
| New Zealand   | 1.99 dollar   |
| Norway        | 12.98 krone   |
| Poland        | 4.84 zloty    |
| Saudi Arabia  | 4.53 riyal    |
| South Africa  | 22.57 rand    |
| Sweden        | 12.65 krona   |
| Switzerland   | 1.11 franc    |
| Thailand      | 44.96 baht    |
| Turkey        | 38.38 lira    |
| United States | 1.25 dollar   |

# Building giant Crest's profits demolished by housing woes

HOUSE builder Crest Nicholson's annual profits are set to tumble after it slumped nearly £31million into the red at the halfway stage.

For the six months to the end of April, its revenues slid 8.9% to £257.5million, while home completions dropped to 788, versus 894 for the same period last year.

Its sales rate per outlet, per week dropped from 0.54 to 0.47 and its £66.2million cash surplus evaporated into net debt of £9.4million.

The slow housing market and a £8.9million hit from replacing combustible cladding cost it dear. So too did the £31.4million bill for rectifying building defects at four sites completed by its former regeneration division. Crest said that it had a pre-tax loss of £30.9million. Last year, it made a £28.4million profit.

The builder also slashed its dividend, from 5.5p per share to 1p and outgoing chief executive Peter Truscott warned that its full-year profits will be lower than originally expected.

Crest had previously forecast profits minus one-off costs of around £39million for the 12 months to the end of October. It now believes they will come in

By **Geoff Ho**

between £22million to £29million. Additionally, it said its net debt is set to rocket to up to £60million.

However, Mr Truscott said he expects Crest to return to growth under the leadership of his successor Martyn Clark, formerly of rival Persimmon. He starts today.

Mr Truscott also said the firm will be able to "strongly capture growth when the market returns".

He pointed to the structural shortage of homes, efforts to improve Crest's efficiency, tackling its historic building safety issues and getting planning consent for its land bank.

Mr Truscott added: "I am confident that under Martyn's leadership and our highly experienced management, Crest will restore growth and deliver sustainable value for all stakeholders."

Adam Vettese, of investment platform eToro, said the business also has to contend with uncertainty caused by the election and homebuyers holding fire while they await a cut in the base rate.

He added: "Crest will hope that these factors are alleviated and that it can get back on track in the second half."



**OPTIMISM: Boss Truscott is exiting**

## Battery firm's positive progress

BATTERY firm Highview has secured £300million to build a renewable power storage plant in Manchester from investors including Centrica and Denmark's Kristiansen family, the owners of Lego.

It will be the first commercial-scale liquid air energy depot in the

UK. From 2026 it will be able to store 300 megawatts of power and output 50mws per hour.

The plant is novel because it can store green energy generated by renewable sources for longer – several weeks – helping National Grid balance supply and demand.

## Investors toast Fullers' divi

PUBS giant Fullers has hiked its shareholder dividend by nearly 21% after its annual pre-tax profits rocketed 39.8% to £14.4million.

In the year to April, revenues rose from £336.6million to £359.1million thanks to a double digit increase in like-for-like food sales, a 9.8%

boost in drinks sales and a 7.8% lift in takings at its hotels. Its dividend is going up from 14.7p to 17.8p per share – £10.4million for investors.

Chief executive Simon Emeny said Fullers had a strong year and that momentum has continued with first quarter sales up 4.4%.

## SAVINGS PUT ON ICE AT VIRGIN MONEY



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**TAKEOVER:** Nationwide is buying Virgin Money later this year

**VIRGIN Money is halting cost-saving restructuring due to its £2.9billion takeover by Nationwide Building Society. It has cut £150million a year off bills with organisation and property overhauls plus computer developments. But other changes are on ice, limiting cost savings expected in the second half.**

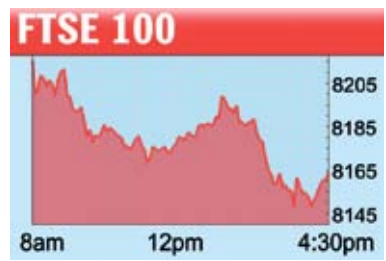
**Virgin Money shareholders last month approved the Nationwide deal, which will complete later this year.**

**For the half-year to April, Virgin Money's pre-tax profits climbed 18% to £279million thanks to higher interest rates and lower bad debt charges. It expects 5-10% growth in all.**

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| COMPANY             | CLOSE | +/-  | 52 WEEK HIGH | 52 WEEK LOW |
|---------------------|-------|------|--------------|-------------|
| 3i Group            | 3030  | -52  | 3082         | 1848        |
| A.B. Foods          | 2493# | -13  | 2738         | 1879½       |
| Admiral Group       | 2557  | -19  | 2837         | 2029        |
| Airtel Africa       | 116   | -2½  | 133¼         | 90¼         |
| Anglo American      | 2389  | +14¼ | 2773½        | 1670¼       |
| Antofagasta         | 2063  | -10  | 2410         | 1293        |
| Ashtead Group       | 5496  | -264 | 6104         | 4667        |
| AstraZeneca         | 12392 | -74  | 12600        | 9501        |
| Auto Trader         | 825½  | -1¼  | 833          | 587         |
| Aviva               | 471½  | -5¼  | 497          | 369¼        |
| B&M Europ Value Ret | 465   | -8¼  | 612½         | 464         |
| BAE Systems         | 1383  | -5½  | 1400         | 888¼        |
| Barclays            | 205¼  | -3½  | 220          | 129¼        |
| Barratt Development | 500¼  | -9½  | 566½         | 392¼        |
| Beazley Group       | 667   | -6   | 690          | 503         |
| Berkley Grp Hldgs   | 5070  | -140 | 5320         | 3773        |
| BP                  | 460#  | -5   | 558          | 444¼        |
| British Amer.Tob    | 2378  | -3   | 2735         | 2267        |
| BT Group            | 135   | +5½  | 136¼         | 102¼        |
| Bunzl               | 2970# | -18  | 3306         | 2687        |
| Burberry Group      | 1023½ | -7½  | 2289         | 1009½       |
| Centrica            | 130¼# | -2   | 172½         | 115½        |
| Coca-Cola HBC       | 2706# | -    | 2804         | 2065        |
| Compass Group       | 2220# | -19  | 2323         | 1945½       |
| Convatec Group      | 253   | -¾   | 293½         | 196¼        |
| CRH                 | 6168# | -32  | 6898         | 4044        |
| Croda International | 4151  | -119 | 5956         | 4076        |
| DCC                 | 5630# | -50  | 6035         | 4171        |
| Diageo              | 2574¼ | -36½ | 3457         | 2561        |
| Diploma             | 4158  | -76  | 4256         | 2804        |
| D5 Smith            | 350½  | -8   | 413          | 263¼        |
| EasyJet             | 455   | -9¼  | 577¼         | 360         |
| Entain              | 672   | -18¼ | 1403½        | 654½        |
| Experian Group      | 3720  | -59  | 3780         | 2390        |
| F&C Inv Tst         | 999   | -7   | 1050         | 831         |
| Flutter Entert      | 14170 | -45  | 1747         | 12155       |
| Fraser's Group      | 857½  | -16½ | 938          | 683         |
| Fresnillo           | 539   | -15½ | 669          | 441½        |
| GlaxoSmithKline     | 1610# | +5   | 1812½        | 1316        |

| COMPANY                    | CLOSE | +/-  | 52 WEEK HIGH | 52 WEEK LOW |
|----------------------------|-------|------|--------------|-------------|
| Glencore                   | 460¼  | -2¼  | 501½         | 369         |
| Haleon                     | 325¼  | +5   | 341          | 308½        |
| Halma                      | 2664  | +314 | 2671         | 1810½       |
| Hikma                      | 1994  | -16  | 2205         | 1722        |
| HSBC Holdings              | 673¼# | -8½  | 720¼         | 575¼        |
| IMI                        | 1802  | -39  | 1901         | 1445        |
| Imperial Brands            | 1980# | -10  | 2000         | 1580        |
| Informa                    | 842#  | -5   | 852¼         | 685¼        |
| InterContinental Htl       | 8226  | +32  | 8752         | 5210        |
| Intermediate Cap.Grp       | 2226# | -126 | 2394         | 1255½       |
| Intertek Group             | 4890# | +28  | 5075         | 3755        |
| Intl Consolidated Airlines | 167   | -2¼  | 186½         | 138         |
| JD Sports                  | 122#  | -2¼  | 175¼         | 104         |
| Kingfisher                 | 255¼# | -7½  | 270½         | 201¼        |
| Land Securities            | 622#  | -20½ | 725¼         | 559½        |
| Legal & General            | 223¼  | -6   | 256¼         | 205¼        |
| Lloyds Banking Grp         | 54    | -1   | 56½          | 39¼         |
| London Stock Ex            | 9362  | -42  | 9674         | 7986        |
| M&G                        | 202   | -2   | 238¼         | 183         |
| Marks & Spencer            | 297#  | -5½  | 311½         | 185         |
| Melrose                    | 627   | -5½  | 677½         | 446¼        |
| Mondi                      | 1471  | +1½  | 1604         | 1179¼       |



## MARKET REPORT

MARKETS fell after the US Federal Reserve indicated that there will be fewer rate cuts than hoped this year, sending the FTSE 100 down 0.6% to 8,163.7.

The slide largely wiped out Wednesday's gains.

The FTSE 250 was down 1.5% to 20,195.95, while the All Share dropped 0.8% to 4,448.7.

A profits warning from FTSE 250 house builder Crest Nicholson made it one of the biggest losers, down 11.6% to 212.8p per share.

The hardest hit however was energy group Enquest, down 12.5% to 12.9p after Labour outlined plans for windfall taxes on oil and gas producers.

Capricorn Energy dropped 10.2% to 167.5p, while Tullow Oil fell 6.6% to 32.8p.

Safety equipment maker Halma was the biggest climber, up 13.4% to 2,664p following strong results, while BT surged 4.3% to 135p after Mexican telecoms billionaire Carlos Slim took a stake.



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## SANDOWN RACING TV

### THE SCOUT

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1.30 Rajeteriat   | 3.50 Devoirs Choice |
| 2.05 Brave Nation | 4.25 Divine Breath  |
| 2.40 Attack       | 5.00 Arch Legend    |
| 3.15 Bizarre Law  |                     |

| 1.30     | BRITISH EBF NOVICE STAKES (GBB RACE) £5,400 (Class 4) 5f 10yds | 2YO (12)       |
|----------|--|----------------|
| 1 (3) 9  | ART MARKET (12) W Haggas 9-7.....                              | T Marquand 61  |
| 2 (8)    | BACKSPIN R Hughes 9-7.....                                     | W Buick 61     |
| 3 (7) 66 | CANDY (10) R Spencer 9-7.....                                  | D Keenan 61    |
| 4 (9) L  | CHASING GOLD (34) R Cowell 9-7.....                            | D Muscutt 68   |
| 5 (10) 8 | HUCKLESBROOK (21) R Teal 9-7.....                              | S Osborne 73   |
| 6 (11) L | MR COOL (16) (T) C Johnston 9-7.....                           | K Stott 59     |
| 7 (6)    | RAGE OF THUNDER G & J Moore 9-7.....                           | C Shepherd 77  |
| 8 (1) 33 | ● RAJETERIAT (31) (F) Tom Clover 9-7.....                      | O Murphy ★80   |
| 9 (5) 5  | REDORANCE (2) C Cox 9-7.....                                   | R Kingscote 68 |
| 10(2) 54 | SIEGEN (21) R Hannan 9-7.....                                  | P Dobbs 77     |
| 11 (4)   | TOP STAR R Hughes 9-7.....                                     | Rossa Ryan 77  |
| 12 (12)  | SKELLIG ISLE 1 Ward 9-2.....                                   | S M Levey 77   |

SP FORECAST: 5-2 Rajeteriat, 7-2 Siegen, 13-2 Backspin, 8 Top Star, 10 Hucklesbrook, Art Market, Redorance, 14 Mr Cool, 16 Others.

2023: Nazalan 9-7, Robert Havlin 4-1 (S Woods), drawn (2), 7 ran.

| 2.05          | MOLSON COORS BEVERAGE COMPANY HANDICAP £6,019 (4) 5f 10yds | (16)           |
|---------------|--|----------------|
| 1 (3) 67000-6 | ACKLAM EXPRESS (21) (D) C Cox 6 9-10.....                  | K Stott 83     |
| 2 (6)         | 503229 DUBAI STATION (25) (D) R Cowell 7 9-9.....          | D Muscutt 90   |
| 3 (4)         | 4138-67 HIERARCHY (13) O Osborne 5 9-9.....                | S Osborne ★93  |
| 4 (14)        | 24-214L MOULIN BOOJ (44) (D) G Scott 4 9-8.....            | C Shepherd 89  |
| 5 (8)         | 24-785L LIL GUFF (25) (C&D) D & C Kubler 5 9-7.....        | O Murphy 88    |
| 6 (1)         | 08L0L-5 ATALANTA'S BOY (16) A Irvine 9 9-6.....            | A Keeley(3) 85 |
| 7 (9)         | 094-302 ● BRAVE NATION (13) (D,F) M Bell 4 9-7.....        | K Shoemaker 92 |
| 8 (12)        | 30-2435 JENEVER (20) (D,F) Jessica Macey 5 9-6.....        | L Edmunds 90   |
| 9 (2)         | 3-76063 FANTASY MASTER (9) (D) Darryll Holland 6 9-3.....  | T Marquand 89  |
| 10(5)         | 721367 MAHARAJAS EXPRESS (14) (D) Jack Jones 4 9-0.....    | Rossa Ryan 91  |
| 11 (11)       | L11752 BANG ON THE BELL (29) (D) J R Jenkins 5 9-0.....    | P Dobbs 89     |
| 12 (7)        | 51462-2 MARY OF MODENA (46) (D) M Attwater 5 8-13.....     | P Bradley 89   |
| 13 (10)       | 131105 BURABACK (8) (D) D Shaw 5 8-11.....                 | David Egan 89  |
| 14(15)        | 3180-8 CONCIERGE (31) (D) M Attwater 8 8-9.....            | L Morris 91    |
| 15 (16)       | 218332 PHOENIX STAR (12) (C&D) Jessica Macey 8 8-5.....    | G Rooke 90     |
| 16 (13)       | 9L3659 SECRET HANDSHEIKH (1) (D) J Gallagher 6 8-4.....    | R Ffrench 90   |

BLINKERS: Nos. 10, 11, 16 VISOR: No. 14 TONGUE STRAP: No. 3  
CHEEK PIECES: Nos. 2, 3, 9, 13, 15 HOOD: Nos. 4, 7.  
SP FORECAST: 9-2 Brave Nation, 13-2 Fantasy Master, 7 Jenever, 8 Acklam Express, 10 Phoenix Star, Mary Of Modena, Bang On The Bell, 12 Hierarchy, Maharajas Express, 14 Others.  
2023: Lil Guff 4-9-13, William Buick 3-1 Fav (D & C Kubler), drawn (4), 9 ran.

| 2.40     | BRITISH EBF MAIDEN STAKES (GBB RACE)2YO £5,400 (4) 7f | (12)          |
|----------|---|---------------|
| 1 (2)    | AGEEAN SEA J & T Gosden 9-7.....                      | K Shoemaker - |
| 2 (6) 2  | ● ATTACK (18) (F) J & T Gosden 9-7.....               | O Murphy ★85  |
| 3 (10)   | CASPIAN KING D Menuisier 9-7.....                     | T Marquand -  |
| 4 (5)    | CHARMING FELLOW P Chapple-Hyam 9-7.....               | C Shepherd -  |
| 5 (12)   | CONSOLIDATION R Beckett 9-7.....                      | James Doyle - |
| 6 (11) 5 | DIVIDEND (29) Dr R Newland & J Insole 9-7.....        | Rossa Ryan 69 |
| 7 (7)    | JET PACKER R Hannan 9-7.....                          | S M Levey -   |
| 8 (9)    | MAXIMUS ALEXIOS R Hannan 9-7.....                     | David Egan -  |
| 9 (4) L  | MOON SNIPER (21) W Muir & C Grassick 9-7.....         | L Edmunds 48  |
| 10(8)    | ROYAL OFFICER C Appleby 9-7.....                      | W Buick 48    |
| 11 (1) 8 | VAN AERT (18) A Watson 9-7.....                       | L Morris 53   |
| 12 (3)   | WINDLORD A Balding 9-7.....                           | K Stott -     |

SP FORECAST: 9-4 Royal Officer, 7-2 Attack, 13-2 Consolidation, Ageean Sea, 8 Maximus Alexios, 12 Windlord, 14 Jet Packer, 16 Caspian King, Dividend, 33 Others.

2023: Sunway 9-7, Oislin Murphy 13-2 (D Menuisier), drawn (2), 9 ran.

| 3.15         | CORAL-ECLIPSE TICKETS NOW HANDICAP £7,731 (3) 1m 1f 209yds | (11)               |
|--------------|--|--------------------|
| 1 (1) 8/11-8 | CHASING APHRODITE (20) Harry Eustace 5 9-9.....            | T Marquand 98      |
| 2 (10)       | 044-548 MAJESTIC (28) J Channon 6 9-8.....                 | K Shoemaker 98     |
| 3 (6)        | SWEET REWARD (14) (C&D) J Portman 7 9-7.....               | Rossa Ryan ★101    |
| 4 (9)        | L285-24 WISPER (20) (D) M Tregoning 6 9-4.....             | Kaiya Fraser(5) 97 |
| 5 (3)        | 6-124 PRINCE MAXI (55) G Scott 4 9-3.....                  | David Egan 97      |
| 6 (11)       | 313L-3 CRYSTAL MARINER (36) (D) Sir M Stoute 4 9-3.....    | R Kingscote 96     |
| 7 (8)        | 6/133-3 ISLAND STAR (20) (F) R Varian 4 9-2.....           | Doubtful 96        |
| 8 (5)        | 1150-36 GALLANT LION (28) (C&D) A King 4 9-2.....          | W Buick 98         |
| 9 (2)        | 7315-22 BORN RULER (23) (C&D) Sir M Prescott 4 9-0.....    | L Morris 100       |
| 10 (4)       | 4/36434 ● BIZARRE LAW (257) A Balding 5 9-0.....           | O Murphy 99        |
| 11 (6)       | 24-8420 MAPOGO (60) M Pattinson 4 8-7.....                 | A Keeley(3) 97     |

TONGUE STRAP: No. 11.  
SP FORECAST: 7-2 Gallant Lion, 4 Crystal Mariner, 9-2 Born Ruler, 7 Majestic, Prince Maxi, 10 Chasing Aphrodite, Wisper, Bizarre Law, 16 Others.  
2023: Paradias 4-9-9, Hollie Doyle 15-2 (A King), drawn (9), 9 ran.

| 3.50         | STYLE AWARDS RETURN TO LADIES DAY HANDICAP 3YO £6,019 (4) 1m 1f 209yds | (10)           |
|--------------|--|----------------|
| 1 (2) 443-31 | CRIMSON ROAD (17) (D,F) S & E Crisford 9-11.....                       | R Havlin 85    |
| 2 (8)        | 534-1 TRAVOLTA (73) J Ferguson 9-11.....                               | D Muscutt 82   |
| 3 (4)        | 34-3 GAMES PEOPLE PLAY (28) R Beckett 9-10.....                        | Rossa Ryan 83  |
| 4 (3)        | 1-235L6 DR FOSTER (22) M Appleby 9-8.....                              | T Marquand 86  |
| 5 (9)        | 891-618 RUKAANA (21) C Hills 9-8.....                                  | K Shoemaker 85 |
| 6 (7)        | 92-364 SCREAMING EAGLE (27) A Balding 9-7.....                         | O Murphy 87    |
| 7 (6)        | 712-43 TIMETOBEENICE (49) M Botti 9-6.....                             | R Kingscote 86 |
| 8 (5)        | 53452 ● DEVOIRS CHOICE (7) (F) E Walker 9-3.....                       | S Osborne ★91  |
| 9 (1)        | 7-54 SIGNALMAN (18) J & T Gosden 8-7.....                              | W Buick 83     |
| 10 (10)      | 664-753 RAVENSWELL (20) R J Smith 8 9-7.....                           | David Egan 86  |

BLINKERS: Nos. 2, 4.  
SP FORECAST: 7-2 Crimson Road, 5 Devoirs Choice, Screaming Eagle, 6 Signalman, 13-2 Games People Play, 7 Travolta, 14 Timetobenice, Ravenswell, Rukaana, 20 Dr Foster.  
2023: Zara's Return 8-13, Benoit Sayette 15-2 (W Stone), drawn (1), 9 ran.

| 4.25        | STUART ROBERT ALAN WILLIAMS HANDICAP £4,449 (5) 7f    | 3YO (12)       |
|-------------|---|----------------|
| 1 (3) 334-6 | SAVIOUR (14) H Palmer 9-10.....                       | R Havlin 80    |
| 2 (9)       | 2161 ● DIVINE BREATH (8) (D) R Beckett 9-10(6ex)..... | Rossa Ryan ★89 |
| 3 (8)       | 4-10 SUNFALL (26) (D) W Haggas 9-9.....               | T Marquand 79  |
| 4 (4)       | 244-1 STATE FLAG (22) (D) T Ward 9-9.....             | D Muscutt 77   |
| 5 (12)      | 545-15 ZIPSTER (22) S & E Crisford 9-8.....           | W Buick 83     |
| 6 (10)      | 3L31-66 MIRRORING (258) (D) M Bell 9-8.....           | K Stott 79     |
| 7 (1)       | 18- KING OF CHARM (242) (D) Martin Dunne 9-8.....     | D Keenan 73    |
| 8 (7)       | 5-42 GRACIA (41) J Butler 9-7.....                    | David Egan 75  |
| 9 (4)       | 123-6 LUNAR STREETS (44) E Dunlop 9-7.....            | S Osborne 78   |
| 10(11)      | 1523-3L RATING (16) B Meehan 9-7.....                 | S M Levey 82   |
| 11 (2)      | 4-432 NORTHFIELD LAKE (20) R J Smith 9-6.....         | G Rooke 78     |
| 12 (5)      | 3-53 LADY FLORA (16) A Balding 9-4.....               | O Murphy 81    |

TONGUE STRAP: No. 1 HOOD: No. 1.  
SP FORECAST: 15-8 Divine Breath, 6 Lady Flora, 7 Zipster, 8 Sunfall, State Flag, 12 Gracia, 16 Northfield Lake, Lunar Streets, Paviour, Mirroring, King Of Charm, 20 Rating.  
2023: Hat Tos 9-8, Laura Pearson(3) 8-1 (D Loughnane), drawn (9), 9 ran.

| 5.00          | RACING & MUSIC NIGHTS PARK H'CAP £4,449 (5) 1m 6f | (6)            |
|---------------|---|----------------|
| 1 (4) L19-118 | ● ARCH LEGEND (36) (T) C Johnston 9-9.....        | R Kingscote 76 |
| 2 (6)         | L53325 COLLEGE CHOIR (2) (F) W Haggas 9-8.....    | Doubtful 76    |
| 3 (3)         | 70-2122 COCK AND BULL (46) M Bell 9-8.....        | W Buick 75     |
| 4 (1)         | 586-23 ALLONSY (18) R Beckett 9-7.....            | Rossa Ryan ★80 |
| 5 (2)         | 76-7 NIGHT HORN (14) A Balding 9-6.....           | O Murphy 79    |
| 6 (7)         | L68L-24 YARBOROUGH (20) G & J Moore 8-12.....     | C Shepherd 75  |

TONGUE STRAP: No. 5 CHEEK PIECES: No. 2.  
SP FORECAST: 9-4 Cock And Bull, 5-2 Allonsy 9-2 Arch Legend, 13-2 Night Horn, 8 Yarrowburgh.  
2023: Lionella 9-2, Rossa Ryan 13-2 (A King), drawn (1), 5 ran.

TRACK FACTS: GOING: Good to Firm. Right Handed. TOP TRACK JOCKEY (2019-24): William Buick 23% Strike rate. TOP TRACK TRAINER (2019-24): G & J Moore 14% Strike rate. BEATEN FAVOURITES: 2.05 Fantasy Master(hcp), 3.15 Born Ruler(hcp), Gallant Lion(hcp), 4.25 Sunfall(hcp), 5.00 Allonsy(hcp), Cock And Bull(hcp). DRAW: Low numbers best in sprints, especially in large fields on soft going LONGEST TRAVELLER: Mr Cool (130) & Arch Legend (500) 245 miles. STABLE SWITCH: 3.15 Mapogo from G Boughy to M Pattinson.

## CHESTER SSR

### THE SCOUT

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.40 On A Session     | 4.00 Khathak     |
| 2.15 Old Chums        | 4.35 Star Shield |
| 2.50 Dukes Of Heather | 5.10 Bulmer Bank |
| 3.25 Amancio          |                  |

| 1.40        | AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP £7,246 (Class 4) 7f 1yds (10 declared) |
|-------------|--|
| 1 (4) 106   | RED MIRAGE (10) (C,D,F) J & S Quinn 6 11 2 Mr P W Mullins.....   |
| 2 (8) 679-  | MAXI BOY (211) Fionn McSharry 7 11 2.....                        |
| 3 (6) 959   | ERNIE'S VALENTINE (6) D Loughnane 5 11 2.....                    |
| 4 (9) 075   | ● ON A SESSION (13) (D) D & N Barron 8 11 1.....                 |
| 5 (2) L48   | SOAR ABOVE (23) (D) J Butler 9 11 1.....                         |
| 6 (7) 435   | SPIORADALTA (34) (C,D) M Walford 4 11 1.....                     |
| 7 (5) 890   | BASS PLAYER (28) (D) K Frost 5 10 13.....                        |
| 8 (1) 135   | OUTRUN THE STORM (26) (D) R Fahey 6 10 9 Mr E Cagney.....        |
| 9 (10) 31L  | EL HIBRI (13) J Williams 5 10 2.....                             |
| 10 (3) L-66 | KING OF THE DANCE (40) B J Llewellyn 5 9 11.....                 |

TONGUE STRAP: Nos. 3, 6, 7 CHEEK PIECES: Nos. 5, 6.

W-Factor: Soar Above (72); King Of The Dance (71); El Hibri (70).

SP FORECAST: 2 Red Mirage, 9-2 On A Session, Outrun The Storm, 5 Spioradalta, 8 Maxi Boy, 12 El Hibri, 14 Soar Above, 20 King Of The Dance.

| 2.15        | CAMDEN STOUT HANDICAP £7,644 (5) 6f 17yds       | 3YO (12)            |
|-------------|---|---------------------|
| 1 (6) 108   | BIOGRAPHER (7) (D) M & D Easterby 9 9.....      | S Gray 86           |
| 2 (2) 715   | ANGEL'S CALL (35) Mrs N Evans 9 9.....          | J Bryan 90          |
| 3 (9) 405   | CALL GLORY (27) M Appleby 9 9.....              | S De Sousa 90       |
| 4 (3) 358   | QUIET RESOLVE (20) R Fahey 9 9.....             | D Nolan 90          |
| 5 (11) 230  | ● OLD CHUMS (20) (D) T Dascombe 9 7.....        | P-L Jamin 90        |
| 6 (5) 0L3   | ONIGIRI (17) (D) M Botti 9 7.....               | Josephine Gordon 90 |
| 7 (4) 22-5  | COOL RUN (42) J Camacho 9 5.....                | F Norton 90         |
| 8 (10) 36-7 | INFINITY BLUE (33) J Camacho 9 4.....           | Ryan Sexton 90      |
| 9 (2) 456   | MASTER FRANCA (20) H Palmer 9 4.....            | P Mullen 90         |
| 10 (1) 365  | MACANUDO (11) Williams 9 3.....                 | C Fallon 90         |
| 11 (8) 6-66 | JUDGE FRANK (82)(T) Christian Williams 9 1..... | R Hornby 90         |
| 12 (7) 862  | LAST APPLAUSE (20) B Ellison 9 0.....           | B Robinson 90       |

BLINKERS: 9 VISOR: 1 TONGUE STRAP: 1 CHEEK PIECES: 3, 4, 5, 7, 12.

W-Factor: Quiet Resolve (85); Old Chums (83); Biographer (82).

SP FORECAST: 9-2 Quiet Resolve, 6 Old Chums, 7 Angel's Call, Macanudo, 8 Onigiri, Master Franca, Last Applause, 10 Others.

| 2.50       | CHESTER SELLING STAKES £12,740 (4) 7f 1yds                 | 2YO (12)   |
|------------|--|--|
| 1 (11) 043 | ALMANJOUR (15) R Fahey 9 4.....                            | Ryan Sexton 90   |
| 2 (8) 88   | BANK ON KENT (30) P Evans 9 4.....                         | F Marsh 90   |
| 3 (3) 733  | ● DUKES OF HAATHER (28) (F) A Keatley 9 4 P Mullen.....    | CAMDEN FLYER (11) A Balding 8 13.....                                  |
| 4 (5) L    | ELLADORA BLACK (13) C Johnston 8 13.....                   | F Norton 90  |
| 5 (1) L    | EYE PUZZLE Darryll Holland 8 13.....                       | R Dawson 90  |
| 6 (13) 6   | FAR ABOVE MARY (13) H Palmer 8 13.....                     | A Mullen 90  |
| 7 (9)      | MAGIC TOPISSIMA G Tuer 8 13.....                           | S De Sousa 90  |
| 8 (7) 7    | MANILA THRILLER (20) J Channon 8 13.....                   | C Beasley 90   |
| 9 (2) 4    | OASIS SUNRISE (8) (F) K P De Foy 8 13.....                 | B Sayette 90   |
| 10 (12)    | SHIELAS WELL G Tuer 8 13.....                              | P-L Jamin 90   |
| 12 (4) 68  | WHISKEY GLASSES (41) (F) Ollie Sangster 8 13 N Currie..... | W-F: Dukes Of Haather (79); Far Above Mary (76); Whiskey Glasses (72). |

SP FORECAST: 11-4 Dukes Of Haather, 9-2 Oasis Sunrise, 5 Almanjour, 7 Far Above Mary, 8 Whiskey Glasses, 10 Magic Topissima, 14 Others.

TRACK FACTS: GOING: Good. Left Handed. TOP TRACK JOCKEY (2019-24): Franny Norton 13% Strike rate. TOP TRACK TRAINER (2019-24): A Balding 19% Strike rate. FIRST TIME: 2.15 Infinity Blue (wind surgery), Master Franca (blinkers), Quiet Resolve (cheek pieces), 3.25 Caelan (cheek pieces), It's Not Risky (blinkers), BEATEN FAVOURITES: 2.15 Quiet Resolve(hcp), 3.25 Amancio(hcp), 4.00 Darbuckts(hcp), 5.10 Native King.

DRAW: A fast start gave a distinct advantage in sprints. LONGEST TRAVELLER: Judge Frank (215), Hutchence (325), Shemozzle (130) 226 miles. STABLE SWITCH: 1.40 Maxi Boy from M Bell, 2.15 Judge Frank from H Main, 4.00 Wyvern from S C Williams, 5.10 Native King from G Bou ghey.

## NEWTON ABBOT SSR

### THE SCOUT

|                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 5.35 Parkin Fine     | 7.55 Stiletto     |
| 6.10 Mattherhorn     | 8.25 Kings Castle |
| 6.45 Marmalade Cave  | 9.00 Delta Force  |
| 7.20 Langley Hundred |                   |

| 5.35     | FIFEHEAD MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE £4,805 (Class 4) 42m 167yds | (14)                   |
|----------|---|------------------------|
| 1 32-1   | HARD AS NAILS (23) F O'Brien 6 11 7.....                    | J Hogan(3) 98          |
| 2 2L-1   | ● PARKIN FINE (23) D Skelton 7 11 7.....                    | Mr Sean O'Connor(7) 98 |
| 3 0/P-1  | SEEUQUINMYDREAMS (38) P Nicholls 6 11 7.....                | H Cobden 98            |
| 4 3-83   | AUNTIE MAGGIE (27) A Fahey 5 11 0.....                      | B Bass 98              |
| 5        | AZAMHAN (F295) R G Hawker 6 11 0.....                       | H Reed 98              |
| 6 87-56L | MONTROSE (26) S Drinkwater 5 11 0.....                      | R T Dunne 98           |
| 7 L-     | GENTOO (49) J Snowden 7 11 0.....                           | W Featherstone(10) 98  |
| 8 P-55   | HALLOWED ROSE (16) W Kittow 7 11 0.....                     | D Noonan 98            |
| 9 6-73   | HURST HILL (16) Seamus Mullins 5 11 0.....                  | D Sansom(3) 98         |
| 10       | MULTY CREW R Walford 8 11 0.....                            | H Kimber 98            |
| 11 OL-   | BRIEF ENCOUNTER (165) N Hawke 4 10 9.....                   | L Murtagh 98           |
| 12 2     | DAME SARRA (39) Noel Williams 4 10 9.....                   | James Davies 98        |
| 13 7     | DAWN PARADE (36) D Skelton 4 10 9.....                      | T Durrell(3) 98        |
| 14 5-    | PURE GOLD (167) Alexandra Dunn 4 10 9.....                  | P Armon(3) 98          |

TONGUE STRAP: Nos. 3, 6, HOOD: Nos. 3, 11, 14.  
W-F: Seeyouinmydreams (122); Parkin Fine (133); Hard As Nails (105).  
SP FORECAST: 13-8 Seeyouinmydreams, 5-2 Parkin Fine, 7-2 Hard As Nails, 14 Auntie Maggie, 16 Dame Sarra, Hurst Hill, 25 Others.

| 6.10   | ATTERANCES HANDICAP HURDLE £9,849 (3) 2m 75yds     | (8)                 |
|--------|--|---------------------|
| 1 3-6  | SACRE COEUR (27) (D) D Skelton 8 12 0.....         | T Durrell(3) 81     |
| 2 F-83 | WAR LORD (9) (C&D) J Tizzard 9 11 13.....          | B J Powell 81       |
| 3 LP-1 | ● MATTERHORN (1) (D) P Nicholls 6 12-6(7ex).....   | H Cobden 81         |
| 4 IL-5 | ISSUING AUTHORITY (18) (D) N Henderson 7 11 9..... | J Bowen 81          |
| 5 LU-4 | L'IMPETINENT (38) Alexandra Dunn 8 11 7.....       | P Armon(3) 81       |
| 6 23-F | NO GETAWAY (16) (C) R L Llewellyn 11 11 0.....     | Charlie Price(3) 81 |
| 7 4U-L | MY MONEY (23) (D) C Gordon 10 10 11.....           | R Dingle 81         |
| 8 5F-2 | KAUTO THE KING (21) (C&D) J Tizzard 10 10 9.....   | F Gingell(3) 81     |

TONGUE STRAP: Nos. 3, 6, 8 CHEEK PIECES: Nos. 2, 6.

W-F: Matterhorn (137); Sacre Cœur (136); Kauto The King (132).

SP FORECAST: 6-4 Mattherhorn, 5 War Lord, 11-2 Issuing Authority, 6 Sacre Cœur, 8 No Getaway, 10 Kauto The King, 16 Others.

| 6.45   | EBCS MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE £6,680 (4)2m 2f 110yds                          | (9)                   |
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| 1 35-5 | MAGICAL MAGGIE (28) A Ralph 7 12 0.....                                     | Tabitha Worsley(3) 81 |
| 2 2L-1 | CARRIGEN KAMPALA (20) (C) F O'Brien 6 11 13 J Hogan(3).....                 |                       |
| 3 6F-1 | KRIVETANA (31) (F) Harry Derham 6 11 12.....                                | Paul O'Brien 81       |
| 4 12L/ | NAEVA (503) (D) Alexandra Dunn 5 11 5.....                                  | P Armon(3) 81         |
| 5 4-6L | PILLAR OF STEEL (27) Henry Oliver 9 11 4.....                               | D Noonan 81           |
| 6 45-2 | POP THE CHAMPAGNE (15) (C) D Killahena & G McPherson 8 11 3 B J Powell..... |                       |
| 7 11L  | ● MERMAIDS CAVE (20) (D) T James Owen 5 11 2.....                           | C P O'Shea(7) 81      |
| 8 2-15 | TOUR OVALIE (20) E Williams 5 10 13.....                                    | Isabel Williams(3) 81 |
| 9 LP-5 | KARANNELLE (9) (C,T) D Rees 9 10 2.....                                     | S Bowen 81            |

TONGUE STRAP: Nos. 4, 6, 9 CHEEK PIECES: No. 5 HOOD: 6, 9.

W-Factor: Karannelle (124); Pillar Of Steel (123); Carrigen Kampala (121).

SP FORECAST: 5-2 Grivetana, 3 Mermaids Cave, 5 Magical Maggie, 6 Pop The Champagne, 10 Tour Ovalie, Karannelle, 14 Others.

TRACK FACTS: GOING: Good. Left Handed. TOP TRACK JOCKEY (2019-24): Harry Cobden 26% Strike rate. TOP TRACK TRAINER (2019-24): P Nicholls 29% Strike rate





BACK TO BEST: Happy Raducanu

## Emma serves up chilling reminder

EMMA RADUCANU has her sights set on tennis's top table again after despatching former Wimbledon junior champion Daria Snigur to reach the quarter-finals of the Rothesay Open.

In windy conditions in Nottingham, Raducanu sent down 11 aces to tame her Ukrainian opponent 6-2 6-2 in 79 minutes.

It was an impressive serving performance which topped out at 111mph and had her measuring herself against the best again.

"I served really well throughout," said Raducanu. "I've been working on every part of my game but the serve is very important. It's just repetition and I'm pleased to see the rewards in competition."

"It makes a huge difference to where I was at the start of the year. Playing matches with just a second serve is never fun. You

### TENNIS By Neil Squires

need a first serve because top players are comfortable holding serve, and if you don't have one it's very difficult."

Raducanu lost the first two games but reeled off six in a row.

And when Snigur did apply pressure, the Brit saved six break points including two in the final game.

Raducanu is one step away from her first semi-final in two years.

In the men's Challenger event, No.1 seed Cam Norrie suffered a shock exit against fellow Brit Jack Pinnington Jones, world No.773, losing 1-6 6-4 6-4.

The defeat means he will be replaced as British No 1 by Jack Draper on Monday.

❑ TWO-time champion Rafa Nadal will miss Wimbledon to focus on the Olympics.

### SPORT IN BRIEF

#### CRICKET

**ICC WORLD TWENTY20 - GROUP C—England v Oman** (North Sound): Oman 47 (13.2 overs; A Rashid 4-11). England 50-2 (3.1 overs; J Buttler 24no). England win by 8 wickets.

|           | P | W | D | L | NR | RR    | Pts |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|-------|-----|
| Australia | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 3.580 | 6   |
| Scotland  | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1  | 2.164 | 5   |
| England   | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 3.081 | 3   |
| Namibia   | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 2.098 | 2   |
| Oman      | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0  | 3.062 | 0   |

**ICC WORLD TWENTY20 - GROUP D—Bangladesh v Netherlands** (Kingstown): Bangladesh 159-5 (20.0 overs, S Al Hasan 64no); Netherlands 134-8. Bangladesh win by 25 runs.

|              | P | W | D | L | NR | RR    | Pts |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|----|-------|-----|
| South Africa | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0.603 | 6   |
| Bangladesh   | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0.478 | 4   |
| Netherlands  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0.408 | 2   |
| Nepal        | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 1.539 | 1   |
| Sri Lanka    | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1  | 0.777 | 1   |

**T20 BLAST - SOUTH GROUP—Glamorgan v Hampshire** (Sophia Gardens): Match Abandoned without a ball bowled

**Middlesex v Essex** (Lord's): Essex 129-4 (12.4 overs). Middlesex 63-2 (6.0 overs). Essex (2pts) beat Middlesex by 16 runs (D/L Method).

|                 | P | W | L | T | NR | Pts | RR   |
|-----------------|---|---|---|---|----|-----|------|
| Somerset        | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 6   | 0.81 |
| Sussex          | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0  | 6   | 0.75 |
| Surrey          | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0  | 6   | 0.59 |
| Essex           | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 6   | 0.20 |
| Glamorgan       | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1  | 5   | 0.14 |
| Hampshire       | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1  | 5   | 0.47 |
| Kent            | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4  | 1   | 1.15 |
| Gloucestershire | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0  | 2   | 0.69 |
| Middlesex       | 6 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 2  | 2   | 2.15 |

**GOLF**  
**124TH U.S. OPEN, PINEHURST RESORT & COUNTRY CLUB NORTH CAROLINA** — (USA unless stated Par 72): 65 P Cantlay, 66 L Aaberg (Swe), 67 M Pavon (Fra), 68 T Finau, 69 S Bennett, C Connors (Can), S Garcia (Spa), Seong-Hyeon Kim (Kor), A Rai (Eng), 70 Z Blair, E Grillo (Arg), R Henley, S Jaeger (Ger), B Koepka, L

McAllister, C Morikawa, R Rock (Eng), I Salinda, N Shipley, D Thompson, 71 R Fowler, M Greysman, Si-Woo Kim (Kor), W Mack III, S Power (Irl), C Smith (Aus), T Widing (Swe), 72 N Echavarria (Col), A Eckroat, N Hoelgaard (Den), B Kim, F Kjettrup (Den), M Kuchar, J Lower, M Meissner, E Molinari (Ita), G Woodland, 73 D Berger, S Burns, M Fitzpatrick (Eng), R Fox (Nzl), C Jarvis (Rsa), C Jenkins, Min-Woo Lee (Aus), F Molinari (Ita), O Morales (Mex), J Rose (Eng), 74 Byeong-Hun An (Kor), D Burmester (Rsa), L Glover, A Hadwin (Can), J Herman, Sung-Jae Im (Kor), D Johnson, T McKibbin (Nlrl), T Woods.

**TENNIS**  
**WTA ROTHESAY OPEN NOTTINGHAM**—2nd rd: E Raducanu (Gbr) bt D Snigur (Ukr) 6-2 6-2 ends.

#### TODAY'S DIARY

(7.45pm unless stated)

**European Championships Group A**  
Germany v Scotland (8pm).....  
(Live on ITV 1)

**CRICKET**  
**ICC World Twenty20 - Grp A:** USA v Ireland (Lauderhill, 3.30pm).  
**t20 Blast - North Group:** Derbyshire v Northamptonshire (Derby, 7pm).  
Leicestershire v Lancashire (Grace Road, 6.30pm). Warwickshire v Yorkshire (Edgbaston, 7.05pm).  
Worcestershire v Nottinghamshire (New Road, 5.30pm).  
**South Group:** Essex v Sussex (Chelmsford, 7pm).  
Hampshire v Middlesex (The Rose Bowl, 7pm). Somerset v Kent (Taunton, 6.30pm). Surrey v Gloucestershire (The Oval, 6.30pm).

**RUGBY LEAGUE**  
**Betfred Super League** (8pm):  
Castleford v Wigan, Hull K R v Huddersfield, Warrington v Salford.

# Oh man! what a thrashing by England

## THEY TAKE 19 DELIVERIES TO DESTROY POOR OMAN

ENGLAND made an overdue statement of intent with a brutal thrashing of Oman, setting course for the next stage of the T20 World Cup with a rampant showing in Antigua.

Knowing they needed to finish the group phase with two heavy wins to overturn Scotland on net run-rate, the defending champions showed no mercy as they blew their lowly opponents away for just 47, then chased down the runs in a record 19 deliveries.

After 48 hours of whispers that Ashes rivals Australia would be prepared to engineer England's exit by easing up in their closing group game against the Scots, Jos Buttler's side took charge of their own fate as they

### By 10pt Byline

wiped out their deficit to go second ahead of tomorrow's clash with Namibia.

The English attack proved too hot for an Oman side rarely exposed to the elite level, with leg-spinner Adil Rashid toying with his prey as he claimed four for 11 and pace pair Mark Wood, right, and Jofra Archer returning matching figures of three for 12. The innings lasted only 13.2 overs.

"I thought we bowled exceptionally well," said Rashid. "It was nice to bowl them out for 47. It's always nice to see the ball spin. It sets the tone. I



try to adjust in the first over. Thankfully it worked today.

"We're taking it a game at a time. Our job is to go out next time, do our thing, and hopefully the rest takes care of itself."

With the race on to chase the runs in 5.2 overs and move ahead of Scotland in the process, Phil Salt set the tone by launching the first two balls of the reply hard over long-on for six.

He was cleaned up swinging at the third and Will Jacks followed but Buttler lashed 24no off just eight balls and Jonny Bairstow crunched both deliveries he faced for four to win it with 101 balls unused.

No batting side has ever finished a game quicker at this level.

Buttler won the toss and handed responsibility to his bowlers. It was a call he would not regret. Wood was handed the final over of the powerplay and was too hot to handle.

Oman snuck past the tournament's lowest ever score of 39 but that was about all.

Salt sauntered out in fifth gear, drilling Bilal Khan for two straight sixes before losing his stumps. Jacks chipped Kaleemullah to point soon after but there was no drama to be had, Buttler laying into Bilal's second over at a cost of 22, leaving Bairstow to apply the finishing touch.

**QUICK ON DRAW:** Rashid celebrates another wicket

## Louie overnight sensation

**LOUIE HINCHLIFFE'S** rapid rise has blown Darren Campbell away.

The Sheffield student became the first European to win the American NCAA 100m title at the weekend - clocking 9.95secs when he might have been in Rome with the British team.

But Hinchliffe, right, coached by the mighty Carl Lewis at Houston University, will be at the Olympic trials in Manchester on June 29.

Former sprint star Campbell said: "It's difficult to say what makes him so special because he's just appeared, but I think the people involved in the futures at British Athletics have known about his



### ATHLETICS By Alan Smith

talent. For the Europeans, he said if he didn't qualify for the NCAA's he'd like to be considered. Obviously he then ran 10 flat and qualified. That's when we properly knew he was special."

Campbell has not spoken to Lewis but insists there will be "no problem" if he comes to Manchester and finds himself alongside old foe Linford Christie. "Those two will be cool," he added. "But let's not take the focus off the athletes we're producing in Britain."

- For which two English clubs did Espanyol striker Joselu, a 2023-24 Real Madrid loanee, play?
- Who scored two tries for Saracens in their 2023-24 Gallagher Premiership win at Bristol Bears?
- Which Middlesex pair made 162 and 131 respectively in the 2024 County Championship match against Leicestershire at Lord's?
- Which American tennis player beat Australia's Fred Stolle in the 1963 Wimbledon men's singles final?
- Which British athlete won the Olympic heptathlon in 2000?
- Which Italian Formula One driver took his only career victory in 2004 while with Renault?
- Which multiple winner of the World Snooker Championship played his last competitive match in August 1992?
- What colour is the jersey worn by the leader in the points competition in the Tour de France?
- Which Australian golfer won the US PGA Championship in 1995?
- Which American sprinter was awarded men's 100m gold at the 1988 Olympics after Ben Johnson failed a drugs test?

**10 to tackle**  
RATINGS  
0-3 Oh dear  
4-6 Small beer  
7-9 So near  
10 Sporting Seer

**ANSWERS:** 1 Stoke and Newcastle, 2 Mario Trujillo, 3 Sam Robson and Lewis du Plooy, 4 Chuck McKinnley, 5 Denise Lewis, 6 Jarno Trulli, 7 Fred Davis, 8 Green, 9 Steve Ekinington, 10 Carl Lewis.



## IN FULL SWING

Aberg shot an opening four-under 66 to trail early leader Cantlay by one stroke



# SWEDE DREAMS MADE OF THIS...

By Andrew Gamble

RYDER CUP hero Ludvig Aberg is firmly in contention to win his first Major after firing a four-under 66 in the opening round of the US Open.

The Masters in April was the Swede's first appearance in a Major, despite representing Europe in their win over the US last September.

Aberg tied for second at Augusta, boldly establishing his presence among the elite.

He has had a meteoric rise to sixth in the world rankings and lived up to the billing in North Carolina.

Aberg posted six birdies and two bogeys to sit one behind early leader Patrick Cantlay.

"Staying very disciplined is important," said Aberg. "There's a lot of pins you don't really think about going for. Me

## Major rookie Aberg gets off to a flier at Pinehurst

and my caddie Joe Skovron, we have a lot of good conversations about certain areas.

"It's difficult to be very precise with the numbers but we try to get a gauge on where to hit it, where to miss it, and make sure that we stay disciplined towards things."

When asked how difficult it is to stay in control at Pinehurst No.2, Aberg replied: "It's really hard. Especially when you have a wedge or something like that, where normally you would go at the pin but you can't really do that here. It's the US Open, it's supposed to be hard." Aberg

has experience around the sweeping fairways and undulating greens from past US Amateur campaigns.

His lack of Major outings means some jitters are present but Aberg remains composed.

"I'm always nervous when I'm playing tournament golf," the 24-year-old said.

"That's the way it's supposed to be. The day when I'm not nervous, it's not a good sign."

"A lot of butterflies this morning."

Aberg said he would not be targeting a specific score in today's second round.

"Pinehurst is hard as it is," he explained.

"It's going to be difficult, it's going to be tricky. It's hard to put a number out there."

"All we try to do is just hit as many good shots as we can to the areas that we're playing for, then see where that adds up."

The 32-year-old Cantlay, who has registered just two top-10 finishes on the PGA Tour this year, bounced back to form in style with a 65.

He ended his round with a flourish, reeling off three birdies in the last five holes.

The American has never held the lead at the end of a round in a Major.

Fifteen-time Major winner Tiger Woods stumbled to a four-over 74 as the former world No.1 returned to the US Open for the first time in three years.

## MIXING IT!

Mikael McKenzie gets stuck in...

## DON'T PUT SQUARE PEGS IN ROUND HOLES, GARETH

GARETH SOUTHGATE risks copying one of Sven-Goran Eriksson's biggest mistakes with his England team selection.

Eriksson admitted he tried to pick all the best individuals in his starting XI, even if it meant putting square pegs in round holes.

It led to Paul Scholes playing out of position on the left side of midfield.

Probably England's best technical player was wasted out wide.

And Southgate risks doing the same with Phil Foden, right.

The little magician needs to be on the ball as much as possible, but he will see less of it if he is pushed out on to the flanks.

England should be dominating possession

against Group C rivals Serbia, Denmark and Slovenia.

We have seen Foden time and time again for Manchester City pick up the ball in between the lines and score from the edge of the penalty area, or feed Erling Haaland.

He can do the same in a Three Lions shirt, he just needs to be played as a No.10.

Why gamble with Trent Alexander-Arnold in

midfield when you can have a trio of Declan Rice at six, Jude Bellingham at eight and Foden at 10?

Anthony Gordon and Eberechi Eze are exciting options on the left, and they will free up Foden to be England's dangerman.



## TEN HAG'S STILL NOT SAFE

ERIK TEN HAG will start the new season with a huge anchor tied around his waist while he struggles to stay afloat at Manchester United.

There will be plenty of spectators waiting for him to drown. There will be very few willing to help.

That is how it must feel for Ten Hag after even his own bosses showed they are unsure he is the right one to lead them forward.

Gareth Southgate is thought to be Sir Jim Ratcliffe's top choice and, if he quits England after Euro 2024, Ten

Hag will feel the anchor getting heavier. After many weeks of speaking to what seems like every other available manager, the new United joint owner and his board are saving on redundancy money at Old Trafford - for now.

But they have not exactly filled Ten Hag, left, with much confidence and he is still not out of the water.

And the Dutchman is sure to have everything crossed that Southgate remains in charge of the Three Lions beyond the European Championship.



TIGER WOODS has hired 15-year-old son Charlie as his swing coach for the US Open.

But that is masking why the teenager will really be by his side for every hole in North Carolina - to gain first-hand experience of what playing a Major is like, for when his dad eventually passes on the baton.

BEATING Rafael Nadal at Roland Garros has always been deemed the toughest test in tennis, if not all of sport.

But there is about to be an even more monumental task - defeating Nadal, right, and Carlos Alcaraz on the same side of the net at the Paris Olympics.



ENGLAND have been fortunate with the draw at Euro 2024 and they should be a shoo-in for the semi-finals.

The Three Lions do not have to face another group winner until the last four if they finish top.

But there could be devastating consequences for winding up in second spot - a clash with hosts Germany in the last 16.

## CRICKET

ANDREW FLINTOFF'S son Rocky has signed his first pro contract with Lancashire.

The 16-year-old batter, who has featured four times for the Second XI this summer, has been named in England's Under-19 squad for the upcoming series with Sri Lanka.

He now follows the lead of his dad, who made his debut for the county in 1995 and went on to play 79 Tests and 141 ODIs for England.

"I'm excited to have signed," said Rocky.

## English happy for Cas loan

### RUGBY LGE

CASTLEFORD V WIGAN 8PM, SKY

HUDDERSFIELD prop Matty English says there are no hard feelings as he starts a two-week loan spell with Castleford tonight.

The England Knights forward has not played since last month's Challenge Cup semi-final defeat by Warrington.

He was dropped by Giants head coach Ian Watson along with

ex-Great Britain star Jake Connor.

English, who makes his debut against champions Wigan, said: "It did come as a bit of a shock not to be selected."

"But you have to respect his decision. He's the head coach. That's what he gets paid to do.

There's no bitterness and no falling out. Watto told me on Tuesday I wasn't in his plans again this week.

"I didn't want to play reserves and I said my only other option was to go out on loan."

"He [Watson] agreed and it all happened really quickly."

DAVE CRAVEN



ENGLISH

## WORLD OF SPORT

## GYMNASTICS

TRIPLE gold medallist Max Whitlock will lead a 13-strong British squad at the Olympics.

Whitlock stepped down in 2021 but returned last year. He is in the men's team with Jake Jarman, Joe Fraser, Harry Hepworth and Luke Whitehouse.

Alice Kinsella is joined by Becky Downie, Ruby Evans, Abigail Martin and Georgia-Mae Fenton.

Bryony Page, Izzy Songhurst and Zak Perzamanos make up the trampoline team.



## PFA join fight to give their stars a break

UNION bosses have joined a legal action against FIFA to protect players' rights in having breaks.

Professional Footballers' Association chief executive Maheta Molango says players are being ignored and that the fixture calendar is "broken."

It comes as FIFA launches a 32-team Club World Cup in the USA next summer.

Molango, right, said: "This is an important moment for players and their rights."

"Everyone across football knows the fixture calendar is broken. I'm constantly told by members that what they want is a properly protected break."

"The time has come to enforce their legal rights as employees."

The PFA will be co-claimants in a case to be heard in the Belgian courts, alongside their French counterpart UNFP and the European division of FIFPRO.



# BRAVESTART



**HILL TO CLIMB...**

But skipper Robertson says Scots have it in their power to deliver the goods

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## Robertson's rallying cry for Scots to reach for the stars

**CAPTAIN** Andy Robertson wants Scotland to achieve "legendary" status by reaching the knockout stages of Euro 2024.

Scotland have played at eight World Cups and three European Championships without being able to advance beyond the first stage.

Manager Steve Clarke's side reached Euro 2020 – the first major tournament for the country since the 1998 World Cup in France – but again fell short by losing to Croatia and the Czech Republic either side of a goalless draw with England at Wembley.

Scotland start this tournament by taking on hosts Germany tonight before facing Switzerland and Hungary.

Liverpool left-back Robertson, who revealed he is in a good place physically and mentally after a scare in training on Monday, was bold in his ambitions at the media conference in the Munich Arena.

He said: "The first Euros was massive for us, now we want to compete."

"Last time we felt in the England game we did pretty well but let ourselves down in the other two, or thought we could do a bit better."

"We don't want to have any regrets this time. What's the worst that can

**GERMANY V SCOTLAND**  
8PM, ITV

happen? We go into a long list of teams that have failed to make it out the group, so let's start from that point and move on from it.

"We believe we can be the team to make history. We have put ourselves in a good position by qualifying – let's see what we can do."

"We're excited by the challenge, we're excited about what's ahead and, if we perform the way I know we can, I'm confident we can make history."

"We know what is at stake. As I said, what's the worst that can happen? You join the list of good Scotland teams that failed to make it out the group."

"The flip side to that is we can be the first team to

do that.

"We have lots of incentives to do well but that's the main one, to become a legendary squad, the first team to make it to the knockout stages."

"That is driving us forward but we have to be at our best to have a chance of doing that."

**GERMANY (probable):** Neuer; Kimmich, Rudiger, Tah, Mittelstadt; Andrich, Kroos; Musiala, Gundogan, Wirtz; Havertz.  
**SCOTLAND (probable):** Gunn; Ralston, Porteous, Hendry, Tierney, Robertson; McTominay, Gilmour, McGregor, McGinn; Adams.

**We don't want to have any regrets this time**

## Hosts determined to enjoy it

**JULIAN NAGELSMANN** says the thrill of a home Euros outweighs the pressure as Germany launch the tournament tonight against Scotland.

He said: "It's only the second time we have hosted a European Championship. For the players, and for myself as a

manager, to take part in a tournament on home soil is a unique opportunity."

"There is pressure but more so joy. If we can see that joy on the pitch then we will have a great tournament."

"It's probably best not to say we can win but if we give our all it can happen."



# I've Scot to thank Poch for revival

## SCOTLAND REJECT CONOR HAILS BOSS

CONOR GALLAGHER could have been lining up for Scotland in tonight's European Championship opener against hosts Germany but was not considered good enough.

The Chelsea midfielder, who qualified through his late grandfather, did not make the cut after going for trials at the Tartan Army's junior set-up.

But Gallagher is now battling for a starting spot in Gareth Southgate's team as England prepare to take on Serbia in their first Group C match on Sunday.

He said: "When I was 15 or 16 I wasn't good enough to play for the England youth team.

"I went to train with one of the Scotland teams to see what I was like – and I wasn't good enough for them either.

"I managed to work my way back into the England youth set-up and was lucky enough to stay in it."

Gallagher and the rest of the England squad will be watching the Germany-

From **Andy Dunn** in Erfurt

Scotland clash at their camp in Blankenhain tonight, before heading to Gelsenkirchen tomorrow for their showdown with the Serbs.

Gallagher's form for Chelsea was so impressive this season that he is a serious contender to partner Arsenal star Declan Rice in the centre of Southgate's midfield.

And the 24-year-old hands former manager Mauricio Pochettino, who lasted only one season at Stamford Bridge, the plaudits for his development on the elite stage.

Gallagher said: "I have come a long way this season and I give a lot of

credit to Pochettino – and what he has done for me.

"He gave me responsibility and trust at Chelsea and put me in a better position to be a bigger part of the squad at this tournament.

"I'll do as much as I can to help England."

Gallagher did not see any action at the World Cup in Qatar two years ago, even though he was part of the squad.

However, he feels like a different player out here in Germany.

He added: "In Qatar, I was kind of expected not to play in a way.

"I still loved the experience and was so honoured to be out there.

"But I never expected to come on or start games. It is a couple of years on and I'm in a different position.

"A lot of credit to Pochettino for giving me that opportunity to show Chelsea what I could do and, hopefully, there is still room for improvement."

And while Gallagher says he is "excited" at the prospect of working with new Chelsea head

coach Enzo Maresca, he is clearly gutted that Pochettino has left the club.

"He has done so much for me so I was sad – sad for him and the coaching staff," said Gallagher.

"He showed belief and trust in me, which is all a player wants.

"If a manager shows you a bit of love it makes you play better.

"Long story short, it gives you confidence and that's what it gave me."

Gallagher's Chelsea contract only has a year to run and he has been linked with moves to Premier League rivals Tottenham and Aston Villa.

But he believes all the talk about his club future is not a distraction.

Gallagher said: "I'm a Chelsea player right now and I'm just focused on England and the tournament.

"It is not difficult. I'm in a very privileged position to be at a tournament like this and I couldn't be happier with my situation."

**EVER SO PROUD**

Gallagher, seen with Pochettino, below, is happy to be in England reckoning

## 100,000 APPLY TO SEE MBAPPE TRAIN

EURO organisers have been stunned by an outbreak of Kylian Mbappe mania.

They have been swamped by 100,000 ticket applications just to watch Real Madrid's new signing train.

Mbappe, right, was put through his paces with the rest of France's mighty squad at the 4,000-capacity Home Deluxe Arena in the historic cathedral city of Paderborn last night. They had arrived the day before.

And after announcing the session would be open to the public, the demand for free tickets to see Mbappe and Co exploded. The stadium is home to SC Paderborn, who finished seventh in Bundesliga 2 last season.

The city's population is only 150,000 but

thousands were prepared to travel miles to get a glimpse of the player who has teamed up with Jude Bellingham at Real.

Mbappe, who has moved in a deal that netted him a £127million signing fee and five-year contract worth a

bank-busting £265,000 a week after tax, is the star attraction here.

But then few would begrudge the boy from the notorious banlieues – or suburbs – of outer Paris who done good.

Didier Deschamps' team are many people's favourites to go all the way this time after losing the World Cup final to Argentina 18 months ago.

France open their bid on Monday against Austria, then face Holland and Poland.

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## Hammers sign Brazil teen

WEST HAM have completed the signing of Brazilian teenager Luis Guilherme from Palmeiras.

The 18-year-old, right, attacking midfielder has agreed a five-year deal and will finalise his switch when the transfer window officially opens today. "I'm very happy to be signing with West Ham, a club that trusted in my work," said Guilherme. "I

also want to thank everyone at West Ham, particularly [technical director] Tim [Steidten] and his team who came to Brazil and not only talked with me, but with my family."

Guilherme has won the Serie A title with Palmeiras and been capped by Brazil at Under-20 level.



## BILLIONAIRE HAALAND

ERLING HAALAND'S agent says the Norwegian is happy at Manchester City – and on course to take his earnings through the £1billion barrier.

Rafaela Pimenta has dismissed any suggestion the two-time Golden Boot winner, above, could walk away this summer

By **Simon Mullock**

now that a £175million buy-out clause in his contract can be triggered by foreign clubs.

"He is one-thousand percent committed to City," he said. "I'm convinced his earnings over the course of his career will exceed a billion."



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STONES: Handed Southgate a boost yesterday

## Kane warns lowly opponents are far from pushovers

### FROM BACK PAGE

earned this favourites status through our tournaments so far. But we are also a team that has never won a Euros, so we are trying to make history here.

"It's a goal we want to achieve, but we know it will be a long, hard road. We have to make sure we do everything right because if you are not 100 percent in these tournaments you can be punished."

Kane may be England's record goalscorer but he says having the likes of Jude Bellingham, Declan Rice and Phil Foden means they have world-class back-up.

Kane believes it could be the best team he has been a part of, adding: "This squad is one of the best, if not the best, we've had."

"We've got incredible young talent, who are fearless and just want to play. I hope the guys can rely on me and ask me questions and if I can help them overcome something then that's great. But we have such

a good bond, we're always talking to each other or having dinner together and there's always conversation and that helps us.

"Gareth had a really difficult decision to make because we have some very good attacking players. But for me it's fantastic.

"I want to play with players who can provide assists, who can score goals.

"Captaining England and leading the boys is probably the biggest privilege I can have as a player and I will never take that for granted.

"We've had a semi-final, a final and a quarter-final, so I hope we can go all the way this time and win."

John Stones' roller-coaster week took another twist when he was back on the training pitch yesterday, 24 hours after he had Southgate fearing the worst when he fell ill.

Having isolated, he returned on a day when all 26 players took part in training, including Luke Shaw.

From **John Cross** in Erfurt

**EBERECHI EZE** has used the worst day of his career to go full circle and reach Euro 2024.

Eze ruptured his Achilles tendon in training in May 2021.

He went back in to check his phone and found that he was named in England's provisional 33-man party for that summer's Euros.

Fast forward three years and the Crystal Palace midfielder believes the whole experience helped him toughen up.

Eze, 25, said: "It was my first time getting that message but this is after my Achilles had ruptured on the training pitch.

"I'd gone inside, checked my phone and saw the message so it was a tough day. But it's part of the journey, part of the story,

## Palace star's Euro agony helped make him strong

and I'm grateful to be here now. You're dealing with the emotion of what could have been. I was at the games watching with a cast on my foot.

"It was tough but I don't think I would have the mentality I have now without an experience like that.

"Those experiences build your character and give you more strength going forward."

Eze's is an inspirational tale because he was rejected by Arsenal, Fulham, Reading and Millwall before ending up at

QPR, where he was farmed out on loan to Wycombe before joining Palace.

There is a life lesson about never giving up even when losing at Accrington Stanley on a Tuesday night while at Wycombe, where he is still remembered fondly by fans and his former team-mates.

Eze said: "The one thing I've always had is faith. I know God is there and he's working for me. I also believe

with the talent and gift he's given me, as long as I continue to work on it and improve and try my best, I'll reach the level I want to reach.

"I always try to appreciate how far I've come. It's a big difference from Accrington Stanley to where I am now."

Eze is one of four

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Palace players in the squad along with Dean Henderson, Marc Guehi and Adam Wharton.

He describes Guehi as a tough defender for opponents – “strong, fast and smart”.

Eze also says he knew from the first training session that Wharton was a huge talent.

He has had to battle to get his place in the England squad and, in a Euros where substitutes could be important, Eze is determined to show he was worth his place ahead of Jack Grealish and James Maddison.

“In any position it is difficult to get into the squad,” he said. “The talent all over the pitch is insane.

Even being able to get into the 26 is a challenge. I’m grateful and sure that everyone else will be grateful as well because there is a person on their shoulder that is equally as good and can do a similar job to them.

“That has been the main thing, focusing on myself and what I can do.”

Eze is such a likeable individual and comes across brilliantly.

He appreciates where he is now and never takes anything for granted.

That is why Eze is giving back by setting up his own foundation to help local kids. He hired out Palace’s academy at the end of the season, paid

for coaching, entertainment and even an ice cream van and jerk chicken stall.

He said: “I’m grateful to be in the position I’m in, terribly blessed. I look at all the people coming from similar areas to me, similar difficulties and struggles.

“Me and my family are trying to do whatever we can to give them an opportunity, help them see things they wouldn’t see otherwise.

“It’s a huge blessing and a huge honour to be in the position to do this and that’s the most important thing. If you’re in the position and you’ve got the opportunity to do it, that’s the best you can do.”

**Accrington is a big change to where I am right now**



**EBE AND FLOW...**

Eze gets stuck in at England training and, right, enjoys another goal with Palace



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**ON CUE TO SHINE**

Eze relaxes at England's training base in Germany by having a game of pool

## Serbian highlight weakness

From **Simon Mullock** in Erfurt

SERBIA defender Strahinja Pavlovic believes his team can take advantage of England's defensive weaknesses.

Pavlovic, the RB Salzburg centre-back who has attracted admiring glances from Liverpool, says Iceland gave the Serbs a perfect plan for how to beat England.

The 23-year-old insists the Three Lions have defensive flaws that can be exposed if he is successful in keeping Harry Kane and Co quiet at the



**NO FEAR:** Pavlovic

other end. Pavlovic said: “I would attack the English. I would try to press them. Everyone has flaws, even the English.

“We saw how organised Iceland were and how they were able to threaten and defeat them. We are analysing everything.

“England have one of the best teams so the first game will be very difficult. What is their strength? They have a lot of quality players, especially in attack. They score a lot of goals.

“Kane is an incredible player and there's also Jude Bellingham. We have to stop them.”



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## Harry warns that lowly Serbs are no pushovers

HARRY KANE has warned England of the "very dangerous" threat posed by Serbia in their opening clash at the Euros.

England kick off their bid for glory on Sunday and, even though the Serbs are only 33rd in FIFA's world rankings, Kane says they could make life difficult – especially with Aleksandar Mitrovic, above, in their ranks.

Gareth Southgate's men are favourites to lift the trophy but skipper Kane

From **John Cross** in Erfurt

said: "They're a team that can hurt you if you're not set up correctly, and defensively they're strong."

"They have tall players so they can be very dangerous."

"If we're not careful it could be a difficult game so we need to make sure we get that right. I think we have

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## Scots can be host busters

GERMANY V SCOTLAND 8PM

PREVIEW: SEE PAGE 52



## England turn Oman corner

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**DANGER:**  
Kane says Serbia cannot be treated lightly



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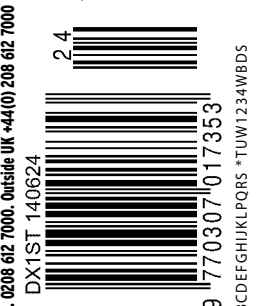
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- 1** Turning over the soil (9)
- 7** Skulls (4)
- 8** Small change (5)
- 10** Public house (3)
- 11** Playground feature (6)
- 13** Vitally important (9)
- 14** Turned into (6)
- 16** Large body of water (3)
- 18** Goes out (5)
- 19** Footwear item (4)
- 20** Instruction (9)

**12** Giant woody grass (6)  
**15** Throw (4)  
**17** Consumed food (3)

### Solution on Monday

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### Solution on Monday



# Puzzles

## ARROW-WORD

Enter your answers as indicated by the arrows, including items connected with our TV star, then read the letters in the shaded squares to spell the show on which she made her TV debut (8).

Solution in Monday's puzzle pull-out

Our star's first name

Sex And The City actress, Kim \_

Get up

Male cat Bergerac star, John \_

Auction items

What a clock displays

Posed for artist

Historical period

Relax

Singer, \_ Jones

Succulent plant

Dog breed, Great \_

Choose

Lofty

Tardy

Ex-MP, \_ Widdecombe

Fuss

Replied

California city, \_ Jose

TV series, It's A \_

Files, eg

Crush

Snip

Bird's home

Region

Grow weary

Jean Paul \_ French fashion designer

Sitcom, Still Open \_ Hours

Late comedian, \_ Dawson

Desire

Late tennis star, Arthur \_

Comedian, \_ Evans

Our star's surname

Break apart

Back

Relaxed, at \_

Permits

Show with our star, The Trials Of Rosie \_

Model, \_ Campbell

Jotter

Picture

Show with our star, Cagney & \_

US actress, Claire \_

Spud

Actress, \_ Jovovich

Sitcom, Father \_

Mineral source


Swindle

Actress, \_ Ryan

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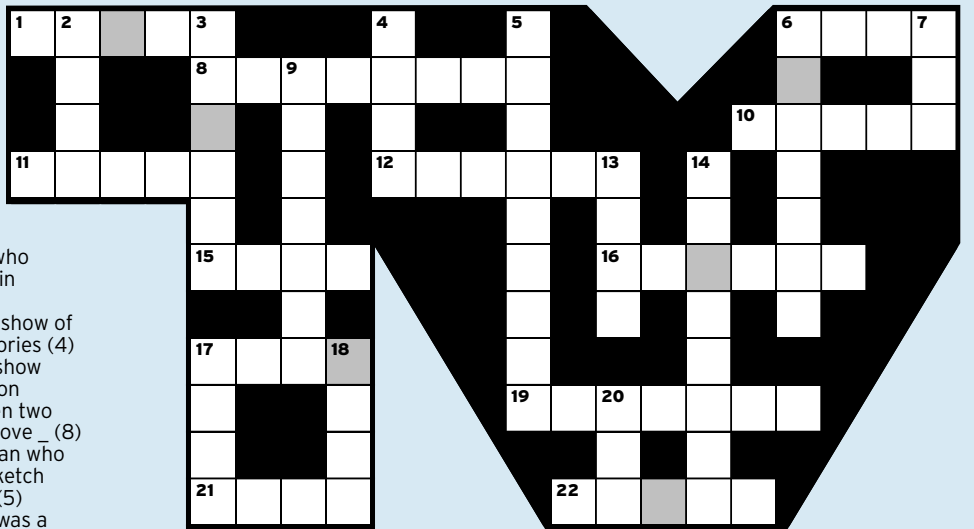
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## TV CROSSWORD

Solve our crossword, then rearrange the letters in the shaded squares to reveal the name of a TV show (3,3).



### ACROSS

- 1 \_ Barrie, actor who played Rimmer in Red Dwarf (5)
- 6 Celebrity satire show of the 2000s, \_ Stories (4)
- 8 New E4 reality show where one person chooses between two love interests, Love \_ (8)
- 10 Kevin \_ , comedian who starred in the sketch show It's Kevin (5)
- 11 Comedian who was a team captain on Never Mind The Buzzcocks, \_ Jupitus (5)
- 12 The \_ , drama which starred Dominic West and Ruth Wilson (6)
- 15 The longest-serving presenter of Channel 4 News, Jon \_ (4)
- 16 Dawn \_ , comedian and Murder Most Horrid star (6)
- 17 She was Billie Piper's Doctor Who character, \_ Tyler (4)
- 19 Roo \_ , Georgie Parker's Home And Away character (7)
- 21 Neighbours character

played by Ayisha Salem-Towner, \_ Rebecchi (4)  
22 Ruth \_ , actress who played Gladys Pugh in Hi-De-Hi! (5)

### DOWN

- 2 Canadian TV drama of the 1980s, Degrassi Junior \_ (4)
- 3 Harry \_ , singer who rose to fame on The X Factor (6)
- 4 Actress who played Sookie Stackhouse in True Blood, \_ Paquin (4)
- 5 Catherine \_ \_ , actress who plays Morticia Addams in Wednesday (4-5)
- 6 Actor who played the lead role in Magnum, P.I., Tom \_ (7)
- 7 \_ Howard, actor who played Richie Cunningham in Happy Days (3)
- 9 Name by which Arther Daley referred to his never-seen wife in Minder, 'Er \_ (7)
- 13 \_ Spall, actor whose TV credits include Trying and Pete Versus Life (4)

- 14 Channel 4 competition show with Lang Lang, Mika and Claudia Winkleman (3,5)
- 17 Actress who played Zoe Slater in EastEnders, Michelle \_ (4)
- 18 My Name Is \_ , US sitcom which starred Jason Lee (4)
- 20 She was Catherine Tyldesley's Coronation Street character, \_ Price (3)

Solution in Monday's puzzle pull-out

## QUIZ OF THE WEEK

- 1 What was the name of the bush kangaroo after which a TV series of the late 60s and early 70s was named?
- 2 Jimmy Nail, right, first found fame playing Leonard 'Oz' Osborne in which British TV series?
- 3 What is a didgeridoo - is it a wind instrument, a wild dog, or a close friend?
- 4 In which decade was the newsreader and broadcaster Victoria Derbyshire born?
- 5 What is the surname of Michelle, the actress who plays Kate Thorne in the TV series Ten Pound Poms?



- 6 What nationality is Liverpool F.C. striker Darwin Núñez?
- 7 In which fictional suburb of Melbourne is the TV soap Neighbours set?
- 8 To which singer-songwriter and actress was Liam Hemsworth married from 2018-2020?
- 9 In which Australian city is the WACA cricket ground located?
- 10 Which British comedian and entertainer of the 70s and 80s used an arm-length puppet known as Emu?

Solution in Monday's puzzle pull-out

## TRIVIA WORDSEARCH

- 1 In which US city was Michelle Obama born in 1964? (7)
- 2 Which of his daughters did Shakespeare's King Lear refer to as a "detested kite"? (7)
- 3 What actress plays Penny in the US TV sitcom The Big Bang Theory? (5,5)
- 4 What is the surname of Lucy, the first of the siblings to find her way into Narnia, in the classic children's story The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe? (8)
- 5 Which element has the atomic number 64? (10)
- 6 In which region of France was the garden strawberry first developed in the 1750s? (8)
- 7 What adjective has been used to describe the social revolution that took place in the former Czechoslovakia in late 1989? (6)
- 8 Which actress played Octopussy in the 1983 Bond film of that name? (4,5)
- 9 Who wrote the 1962 novel Something Wicked This Way Comes? (3,8)
- 10 Which plant gives mustard its yellow colouring? (8)

Beatles. Solve the clues and find the answers in the grid.  
Solution in Monday's puzzle pull-out



## DITLOIDS

If we asked you what "7 D of the W" stood for, you would soon guess we meant 7 Days of the Week, but what are the rather more tricky ones below?

Solution in Monday's puzzle pull-out

- 1) A of the S: 742 E T
- 2) The 3 S: M, L and C
- 3) 30 D H S, A, J and N
- 4) J 14 is B D in F
- 5) 4 G M of J
- 6) D is 40-A in T

## MUDDLESOME

We've scrambled up the names of French composers. Can you work out what they are?

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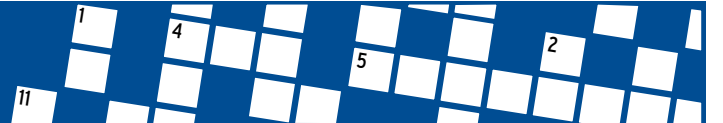
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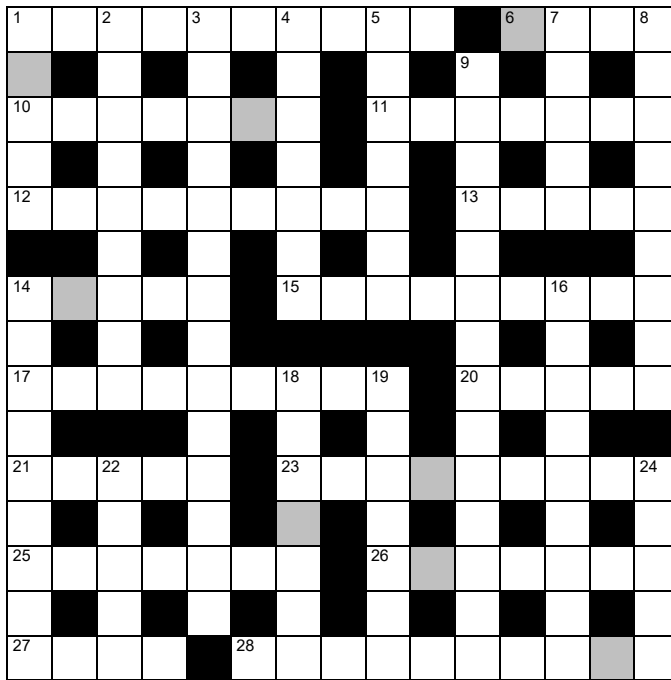
## CRUSADER PRIZE CROSSWORD

### ACROSS

- 1 Reasonable cause to find place of entertainment (10)  
6 Miracle followed about a key (4)  
10 Nowadays, new drone gets decorated (7)  
11 Romans improved after new invaders (7)  
12 Shout about terrible trade in inhibitor (9)  
13 Quiet pixie getting some storage (5)  
14 Following stream is an unnecessary extra (5)  
15 Leaving notes on split (9)  
17 One cold awfully learned European (9)  
20 Deception is barely detectable in report (5)  
21 Volunteers to go round some current resort (5)  
23 Delay putting wire sculpture in part of building (9)  
25 Soothe liver - treatment includes one vitamin, then another (7)  
26 Difficult getting a couple of Poles a Parliamentary report (7)  
27 Scandinavian to condescend to the audience (4)  
28 Insect setting beagle test (4,6)

### DOWN

- 1 Loud song conceals liberal talent (5)  
2 Using broad terms at home with unacceptable sentence (2,7)  
3 Director makes officer cope with head of resistance (7,7)  
4 Former helper is an expert (3,4)  
5 Tons transported after noon - work uninterrupted (3-4)  
7 The French greeting gives permission (5)  
8 Punch-up as tiffs develop? Not initially correct (9)  
9 Angry mention that connects information (5-9)  
14 Wasted something deep-fried on journalist (9)  
16 Wandering to see nitrate in production (9)  
18 Decline of French perfume (7)  
19 A swine behind the wheel? (4,3)  
22 Mole excited by new fruit (5)  
24 Register a gatehouse (5)



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Read down the letters in the highlighted squares to reveal the mystery word.

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**ACROSS:** 1 Cadenza, 5 Stardom, 9 Messenger, 10 Raven, 11 Arousal, 12 Webinar, 13 Running stitch, 18 Clear the decks, 20 Misdeed, 23 Artemis, 25 Turin, 26 Beefeater, 27 Reposes, 28 Teacher. **DOWN:** 1 Cymbal, 2 Discourse, 3 Needs, 4 Angelfish, 5 Straw, 6 Acrobatic, 7 Devon, 8 Monarchs, 14 Nerve ends, 15 Godparent, 16 Test match, 17 Scimitar, 19 Usurer, 21 Strop, 22 Debts, 24 Theta. **Prizeword:** TOBACCO

## TARGET



● The Target uses words in the main body of Chambers 21st Century Dictionary (1999 edition)

**HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters shown here?**

In making a word, each letter may be used once only. Each must contain the centre letter and there must be at least one nine-letter word. No plurals. Verb forms ending in S permitted.

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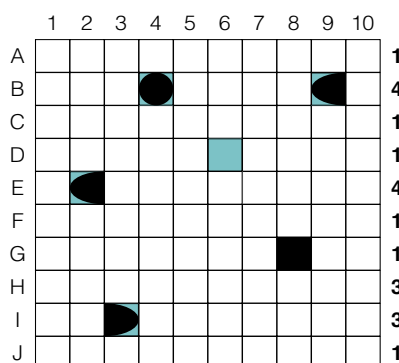
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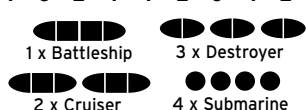
## BATTLESHIPS

FIND where the fleet of ships shown is hidden in the grid. The numbers to the right of and below the grid indicate how many of the squares in that row are filled in with ships or parts of ships. The ships do not touch each other, even diagonally. Some squares have been filled in to start you off.

**Solution on Monday**



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## THE ALPHABEATER

**TARGET TIME:** 30 minutes

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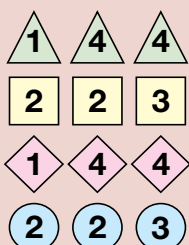
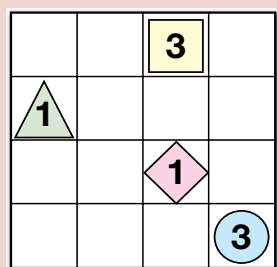
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**DIFFICULTY:** 6/10; **TARGET:** 20 mins; **CLUE:** e.g. Irish or peat; from doctor's vessel.

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# GRANDEST STAGE THAT INSPIRES EVEN THE GREATEST

## Continent's biggest stars battle for place in history



**GAME FACE...** Kane has exuded an air of quiet confidence as he eyes glory with England

ACROSS Germany, fans are growing disillusioned with elite European club football. Protests continue to increase against outlandishly wealthy owners and state-linked consortiums building up club empires. But for all the financial implications of modern-day international tournaments, Euro 2024 will give supporters welcome respite from the talk of TV deals, economic shenanigans and politics. There remains a purity and nobility about representing your country on the big stage. Take Cristiano Ronaldo, for

From **Andy Dunn** in Munich example. No one embodies the crass commercialism of 21st-century football more than the Portugal forward, now the poster boy for the Saudi Arabian sportswashing project. It turns the stomach. But it is clear that nothing gives Ronaldo more satisfaction than wearing the colours of his national team. When he scored twice in the win against the Republic of Ireland on Tuesday night, it took him to 130 goals in 207 appearances for Portugal. Even at the age of 39, you would not bet against him strutting his stuff in Germany

and helping a very talented Portuguese squad to glory. This will be Ronaldo's sixth and final Euros but his farewell is not going to be the only one. We will probably be seeing the last of a handful of greats on this stage. One of those will be Toni Kroos, who bowed out of club football by winning his fifth Champions League with Real Madrid, and his sixth in all. He will be looking to bring the curtain down on his international career by winning on home soil the only title that has eluded him. "That ending would be a bit too cheesy, with the Champions League and the European Championship, but I





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**BLEU MURDER**

Mbappe will take some stopping for France after a fabulous season with PSG

# Time is now for England

By John Cross

THE expectation levels have never been higher.

And this summer it is with good reason because England go to Euro 2024 with a star-studded squad ready to win the trophy.

Gareth Southgate's men go into the tournament on the back of just one win in their past five games, while a defeat by Iceland at Wembley in their final warm-up friendly last Friday was hardly the ideal send-off.

But captain Harry Kane has urged the nation to judge the team on their tournament record – and that is why England fans should believe.

The Three Lions reached the semi-finals of the 2018 World Cup, the final of Euro 2020 and the quarter-finals in Qatar in 2022.

They have the players to take them even further because, in Jude Bellingham, they have arguably the best player in the world right now.

The 20-year-old midfielder has been sensational for Real Madrid this season, helping them to win the Champions League and La Liga in his first year in Spain.

Bellingham now stands even taller in England's line-up and brings a stature, class and quality which can deliver the men's team their first major trophy since 1966.

Phil Foden was the standout player in the Premier League in 2023-24 and was the driving force behind Manchester City's fourth successive title.

Kane is the best striker in Europe and, despite Bayern Munich's disappointing season, the England star has been prolific and proved he can deliver on the biggest stage.

Declan Rice has also enjoyed a memorable first campaign at Arsenal after his £105million move from West Ham. England have quality all over the pitch.

Manager Southgate knows this could be his last chance with this group of players and, despite injuries, they have a 26-man squad to compete with the best.

France, Germany and Portugal will all fancy their chances – but this can and should be England's time.

The sheer number of games this past season and England's disappointing build-up means tournament fever has yet to grip the nation.

But England can build that momentum by embracing the expectation levels on their shoulders because they will rarely have a better chance to win.

“Nothing can match representing your country – as Ronaldo will tell you”

**END OF AN ERA:** Ronaldo and Kroos, right, will bow out

would take it,” said the 34-year-old, who had initially stepped away from national team duty after Germany's last-16 exit at Euro 2020.

There is no doubt Germany will be a force to be reckoned with on home turf but they are one of four nations you could throw a blanket over if you fancy a bet on the outright winner.

For me, those four would be England, Germany, Portugal and Spain.

But despite what the bookmakers would suggest – Southgate's men are favourites to claim the Henri Delaunay Trophy – France are the standout squad at Euro 2024. Having finalised

his dream move to Real Madrid, there is one man primed to set these finals alight: Kylian Mbappe.

Captaining his country for the first time at a tournament, the 25-year-old has scored 47 goals in 79 games for the French and hit 44 in 48 during his farewell season at Paris Saint-Germain.

Mbappe will take some stopping in Germany if he gets into his stride.

But the same can be said of Harry Kane, who has exuded an air of quiet confidence around England's training camp in the days leading up to the big kick off.

Mbappe's new team-mate in Madrid, Jude

Bellingham, also looks refreshed and raring to go under manager Gareth Southgate after a stunning debut season in Spain.

Of course, this tournament will still be a commercial monstrosity and, sadly, it will also be a reminder of these febrile times, needing a huge security operation to counter the threats posed by terrorism and hooliganism.

But there will be brilliance, there will be drama, there will be pride and there will be passion.

Because nothing can match representing your country on the grandest stage on the continent – as Ronaldo will tell you.

**HOLDING THE ACES:** Southgate has a squad packed with quality





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STAR'S RALLYING CRY AFTER REBORN GERMANY

# Thomas hungry as ever

By Keith Webster

IT could be any number of reasons but whatever it is, 14 years and three months after his Germany debut, the fire still burns within Thomas Muller.

Maybe it is a desire to surpass Lothar Matthaus as Germany's all-time highest appearance-maker.

Or it could be that he wants to add a European Championship medal to his World Cup one and complete the set.

Perhaps it is making up for lost time after former manager Joachim Low, below, refused to pick him for two years.

In truth, it is most likely all of the above added to a simple hunger to pull on his national shirt, the way he did as a child when he was a fan. Even now, at 34, he still wants to improve.

Muller said: "I've always gotten positive feedback about my outlook.

"I'm not faking it - I want to have fun.

"That being said, it's about working, winning and improving as well as finding time to relax and having fun while playing. You don't go the extra mile because someone tells you to, rather because you feel like it.

"My job isn't to entertain because you don't get very far doing just that. It's a case of helping players to integrate so everyone can bring their A-game."

Muller's first cap came on March 3, 2010 in Munich in a friendly against Argentina. He started and was replaced in the second half by fellow debutant Toni Kroos. Not a bad debut double.

Now, with Kroos set to retire after the tournament, Muller is looking forward to one last fling for the duo on home turf, even if he is not ready to finish just yet.

Muller said: "We've still got a month and a half to go. We know each other very well, both on and off the pitch. We played for the Under-19s together.

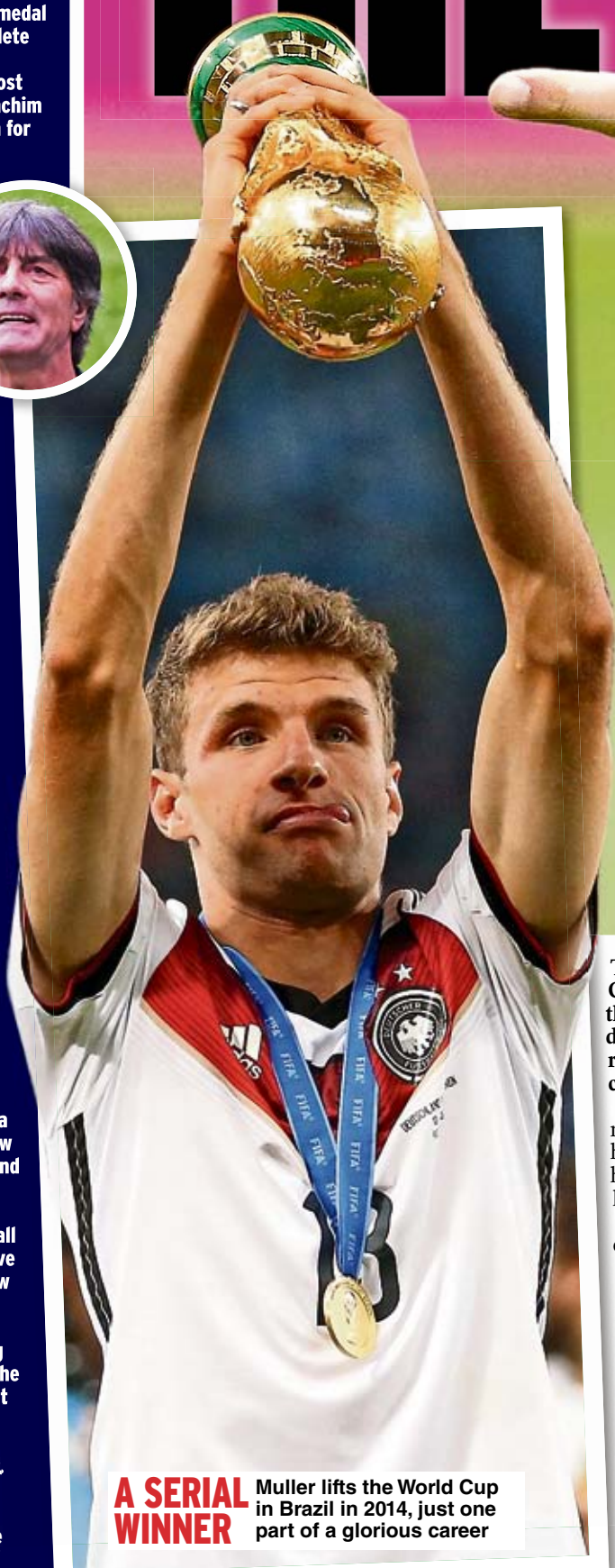
"We're two players who are all about football - our lives revolve around football. I can sense how he plays the game and how he handles himself.

"I'm not thinking of stepping back yet. I'm fully focused on the task ahead of us. We'll see what happens after that.

"It's never a guarantee. I've tried to make my feelings clear. I'm feeling more and more comfortable here. I'm always proud and happy to play for the national team. I give it my all."



# HOT WITH THE MOST



## Veteran Muller feels like a kid as the excitement builds for kick off in his homeland

By Keith Webster

THE parallels with Steven Gerrard are striking - and the acclaim for his distinguished career is reserved for those whose contribution is at elite level.

But for Thomas Muller, much like Gerrard before him, nothing is better than home. It is the beat of his heart.

So, with Germany not only hosting the tournament but basing themselves in Bavaria, Muller could hardly feel more thrilled.

"Everyone's starting to get excited, not just me," said the 34-year-old of the national fervour as he prepared for his fourth, and presumably last, Euros.

"The whole team are looking forward to the upcoming challenge and finally getting things started. People have been

talking a lot about the tournament since Christmas and we've also started thinking about it more and more.

"We're happy that people are starting to come together now that it's close to starting."

Born in the town of Weilheim in Oberbayern, some 30 miles from Munich, Muller is set to begin his 17th consecutive season with Bayern after the tournament.

Gerrard was born within 10 miles of Liverpool, where he played for 17 seasons.

Muller has 707 games in the bank for his local team. Gerrard played 710 for the Anfield giants.

Muller has donned his nation's shirt 129 times. Gerrard had the Three Lions on his chest 114 times during his playing career. They even

had one famous meeting at the 2010 World Cup in Bloemfontein, where England were denied Frank Lampard's clear goal before Muller scored twice in three minutes in a 4-1 win that sent Gerrard and his team-mates home.

That was Muller's first year of international football. In the next few weeks he should pass Lukas Podolski - also a scorer in Bloemfontein - into third place on Germany's all-time appearances list behind only Lothar Matthaus (150 caps) and Miroslav Klose (137).

That is despite being denied plenty more caps in 2019 and 2020 when coach Joachim Low refused to select him.

As he approaches the back end of his career with 12 Bundesliga titles, six German Cups, two Champions Leagues and a World Cup winners' medal, nothing has dimmed his

**A SERIAL WINNER** Muller lifts the World Cup in Brazil in 2014, just one part of a glorious career



# HAVE FANS DREAMING THAT THIS COULD BE THEIR YEAR

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**CHEERS:** Müller with Harry Kane and Manuel Neuer

**TASTY TREAT**  
Müller is licking his lips at the prospect of playing a tournament at home

**OLD FOES:** Gerrard and Müller met at the 2010 World Cup



enthusiasm for playing for his country, and he thinks the anticipation level is rapidly rising in the nation.

"It's normal to see people going about their business wearing Germany kits here," said the forward.

"I used to be one of them. I always used to wear either a club shirt or a national team kit. There were no two ways about it when I was going out.

"I hope the fans use the Euros as an opportunity to feel as happy as possible. If the national team contribute towards that in any way, people should get behind us and show their gratitude as much as possible.

"We want to put in performances that even our biggest critics must applaud"

**"We want to put in performances that even our biggest critics must applaud"**

Germany fans are used to arriving at tournaments as one of the favourites, so a 4-1 home loss against Japan last September, quickly followed by the sacking of manager Hansi Flick, had a nation concerned that they would be also-rans, until impressive wins against Holland and France in

March made believers again of players and supporters.

"We've got to believe in our ability to beat the big teams," said Müller as he looked forward to launching the tournament against Scotland tonight.

"You can't deny that we have players who are operating at a world-class level. We shouldn't hide but, at the same time, we can't expect everything to land in our laps.

"It's about more than scoring a nice goal. It's all about going the extra mile, about helping your teammates out.

"That doesn't mean every player out there on the pitch has to be friends. It means everyone has to know what it takes to win as a team.

"It requires players who know that you have to be bold but also stay humble."

## IT'S A NUMBERS GAME

**17** - this will be the 17th staging of the European Championship.

**3** - hosts Germany share the record with Spain for the most titles.

**10** - nations to have won the tournament, also including Italy and France twice apiece with one win each for the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Holland, Denmark, Greece and Portugal. Yugoslavia, Belgium and England have also reached the final.

**3** - host nations to win the tournament: Spain in 1964, Italy in 1968 and France in 1984. England, France and Portugal have all been runners-up on home soil.

**14** - Cristiano Ronaldo's goals for Portugal in European Championship finals tournaments, comfortably an all-time record. Ronaldo is five clear of Michel Platini, the next highest with nine, while the leading active challenger is Platini's fellow Frenchman Antoine Griezmann, who has seven.

**9** - Platini's goals all came at the 1984 tournament, the record for a single European Championship.

**1** - Greece are the only nation to have won the trophy who did not qualify for this summer's tournament.

**8** - hat-tricks at Euros finals, including two for Platini. Spain's David Villa was the last player to achieve the feat in 2008.

**2,700,000** - tickets for the 51 matches, with more than 80 percent available to fans of the participating teams, and the general public.

**10** - venues in use for this year's tournament in Germany.

**4** - manager Gareth Southgate will take England into a fourth major tournament, having reached a final, a semi-final and a quarter-final in the previous three.

**12** - Harry Kane is England's record major tournament goalscorer, with four at Euro 2020 and eight at World Cups.

**26** - players allowed in each nation's squad, though some, including France and Belgium, have named fewer.

**16,000** - The number of volunteers on hand to try to ensure the tournament runs smoothly.

**1** - Georgia will be making their first appearance at the finals, the only debutant this summer.

**14** - Hosts Germany have appeared at more European Championship tournaments than any other nation - this will be their 14th.

**40** - Gold medals are presented to the winning team and 40 silver medals to the runners-up.

**331,000,000** - The total prize money [in Euros] to be divided across the 24 teams, the same prize fund as Euro 2020.



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# THE PRIZE:

## Favourites or underdogs? Who will join the icons of past Euro finals

**1960**

**HOSTS:** France **WINNERS:** Soviet Union

The first edition of the competition was named the European Nations Cup and held in France. The finals featured just four teams after 17 countries competed to reach the main event, which started at the semi-final stage. The Soviet Union triumphed after a 2-1 extra-time win against Yugoslavia.



**1968**

**HOSTS:** Italy **WINNERS:** Italy

The tournament was renamed the European Championship and was won by the hosts for the second time in succession. The qualifying process was changed to include a group stage, with the eight group winners progressing to the two-legged, home and away quarter-finals. The final tournament again started in the semi-finals, with Italy seeing off Yugoslavia - who beat world champions England in the last four - in a replay.



**1964**

**HOSTS:** Spain **WINNERS:** Spain

The second tournament followed the same format as four years earlier, although this time 29 teams battled it out to reach the four-team finals. Hosts Spain won the trophy after a 2-1 victory against defending champions the Soviet Union in Madrid.



**1972**

**HOSTS:** Belgium **WINNERS:** West Germany

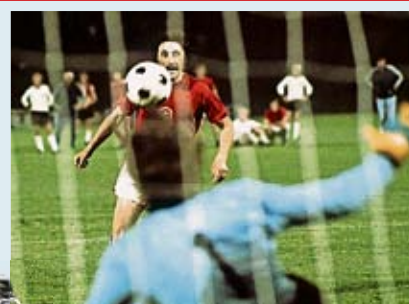
The same format was used for the fourth European Championship in Belgium. The Belgians were only picked as hosts after the qualifying round as rival candidates England and Italy did not make the last four. West Germany beat the Soviet Union 3-0 to win their first title.



**1976**

**HOSTS:** Yugoslavia **WINNERS:** Czechoslovakia

This was the last edition with a four-team final tournament for which the hosts had to qualify. Czechoslovakia won the title, beating West Germany 5-3 on penalties after extra-time. The Panenka penalty was born thanks to Antonin Panenka's winning spot-kick, right.



**1980**

**HOSTS:** Italy **WINNERS:** West Germany

Eight teams qualified for the finals and they were split into two groups of four, with the winners meeting in the final and the runners-up in a play-off. West Germany beat Belgium 2-1 to claim their second crown, with Horst Hrubesch, right, scoring both - the winner a header in the 88th minute.



**1984**

**HOSTS:** France **WINNERS:** France

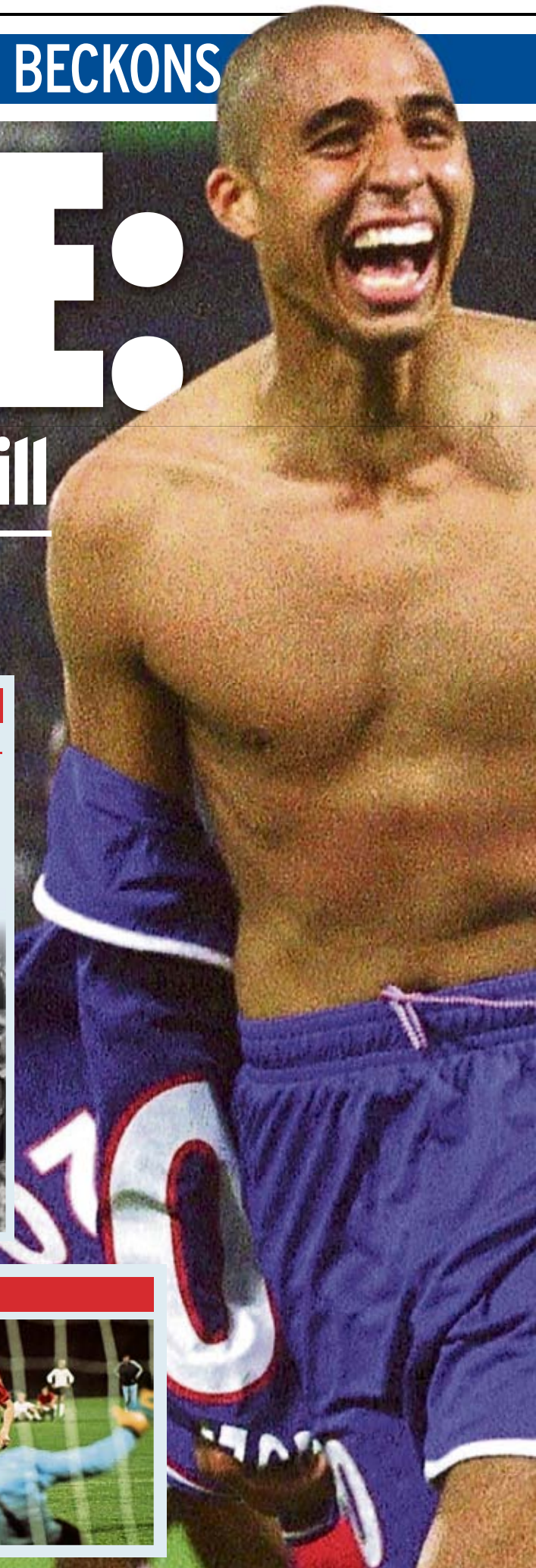
France pipped Germany to host the tournament for the first time and then claimed their first major tournament win, beating Spain 2-0 in the final. Michel Platini, right, was the star of the show with nine goals in five games, including two group-stage hat-tricks. No host nation has won the trophy since.



**1988**

**HOSTS:** West Germany **WINNERS:** Holland

Holland won their only major trophy, beating the Soviet Union 2-0 in the final at Munich's Olympiastadion. The tournament's five-goal top-scorer, Marco van Basten, right, struck one of football's most iconic goals in the final, a dipping volley from a narrow angle.





## AS GERMANY GETS READY TO RAISE CURTAIN ON FINALS

William HILL

## IMMORTALITY

**CRISTIANO RONALDO** entering his sixth Euros is the exception, not the rule.

Most players will get one or two shots at it, three if they really last.

The Euros come round once every four years, so to be able to say you won it – just like the quadrennial World Cup – is something few can claim when they finally hang up their boots. The images of those who seized the day, and snatched the moment in the final to write their names in football's history books, burn brightly no matter how many years pass.

Michel Platini's turn and shot for France's goal in 1984; Marco van Basten's impossible volley in 1988; Kim Vilfort going one way and then the other to seal Denmark's stunning win over Germany in 1992. Each moment frozen in time,

By Keith Webster

each scorer a national hero. Oliver Bierhoff at Wembley in 1996 and David Trezeguet in Amsterdam four years later – both scorers of golden goals that won the trophy for Germany and France respectively in dramatic fashion.

The iconic image of Trezeguet tearing off his shirt, in celebration of a blistering strike into the roof of the net, may have sparked dreams in young French boys who went on to form the World Cup-winning team 18 years later.

England will hope they can add their name to the 10 nations who have won the trophy since the first tournament 64 years ago.

Russia, Italy, Spain, Germany, Czechoslovakia, France, Holland, Denmark, Greece and Portugal form the roll of honour roll from the previous 16 tournaments. Who will dare to make their mark in 2024? The Three Lions were within 23 minutes of

doing it last time, only for lifetime-legend status to turn to tears and despair as Italy swooped in to take home first prize, and leave Gareth Southgate's players with the gut-wrenching emptiness that can fuel a challenge next time around.

It is tough to imagine any first-time champion other than England, who will be tested to the limit by the usual suspects who have won it before.

But as Denmark won it in a year when they actually failed to qualify for the finals, and Greece lifted the trophy against all the odds – spoiling host nation Portugal's party, Ronaldo and all – underdogs have shown that a moment of glory can await a movie extra every bit as much as a Hollywood star.

Here we take a look at the 16 previous winners of the competition as the hunt begins to find the next heroes.

## 1992

HOSTS: Sweden WINNERS: Denmark

A memorable triumph for the Danes. Their players were on the beach having initially failed to qualify, but cut short their holidays after being drafted in to replace disqualified Yugoslavia. The Danes sealed the fairy tale with a shock 2-0 win against Germany thanks to John Jensen's thunderbolt and a memorable run and shot in off the post from Kim Vilfort.



## 1996

HOSTS: England WINNERS: Germany

Football came home – and the trophy nearly did too. But hosts England were edged out in the semis on penalties by eventual winners Germany. This was the first European Championship to feature 16 teams and the first major championships to be decided by a golden goal.



## 2000

HOSTS: Belgium and Holland WINNERS: France

England and Germany renewed their rivalry, with Alan Shearer scoring the only goal but both teams failed to get out of the group. The tournament was again decided by a golden goal when David Trezeguet struck a beauty against Italy to help France add the trophy to their 1998 World Cup win.



## 2004

HOSTS: Portugal WINNERS: Greece

Teenagers Wayne Rooney and Cristiano Ronaldo announced themselves on the international stage. But in a tournament full of shocks Greece produced the biggest of all to triumph with a 1-0 final win against the hosts. Big guns Spain, Italy and Germany all failed to get out of their groups.



## 2008

HOSTS: Austria and Switzerland WINNERS: Spain

The second co-hosted Euros saw undefeated Spain beat Germany 1-0 in the Vienna final on Fernando Torres's smart finish. Spain were only the second country to win all of their group games and take home the trophy, with the success marking the start of Spain's period of international dominance.



## 2012

HOSTS: Poland and Ukraine WINNERS: Spain



Once again, Spain had too much for their rivals and claimed the silverware after hammering Italy 4-0 in the final, with goals from David Silva, Jordi Alba, Fernando Torres and Juan Mata. Spain were the first country to win successive Euros, and three straight major tournaments after their 2010 World Cup win.

## 2016

HOSTS: France WINNERS: Portugal

The first to feature 24 teams saw defending champions Spain beaten by Italy in the last 16 while England fell at the same hurdle against Iceland. Cristiano Ronaldo led Portugal to a major title, even though he was injured in a final won by Eder in extra-time against France.



## 2020

HOSTS: Multiple WINNERS: Italy

Delayed by a year due to Covid, 11 cities hosted games across Europe but Wembley staged the semi-finals and final. England fans began to believe football was coming home, but after leading in the final they lost to Italy on penalties.





# EURO2024 FROM FAVOURITES TO OUTSIDERS, ALL 24 TEAMS

## GROUP A

### GERMANY

**COACH:** JULIAN NAGELSMANN  
**KEY PLAYER:** JAMAL MUSIALA  
**EUROS BEST:** WINNERS (1972, 1980, 1996)

Having suffered another World Cup failure in Qatar, Germany eventually sacked manager Hansi Flick last September following a run of just four wins in 17 matches. Former Bayern Munich head coach Nagelsmann, 36, has steadied the ship, with back-to-back victories against France and Holland in March friendlies raising belief of a solid run.



### SCOTLAND

**COACH:** STEVE CLARKE (inset)  
**KEY PLAYER:** SCOTT MCTOMINAY  
**EUROS BEST:** GROUP STAGE (1992, 1996, 2020)

After finishing runners-up in their qualifying group to Spain,

the Tartan Army will be hoping to celebrate a long-awaited first win at the Euros finals since 1996. Do that and they can think about reaching the knockout stage for the first time but Clarke's side will need to improve from a lacklustre home loss against Northern Ireland in March.

### HUNGARY

**COACH:** MARCO ROSSI  
**KEY PLAYER:** DOMINIK SZOBOSZLAI  
**EUROS BEST:** SEMI-FINALS (1964, 1972)

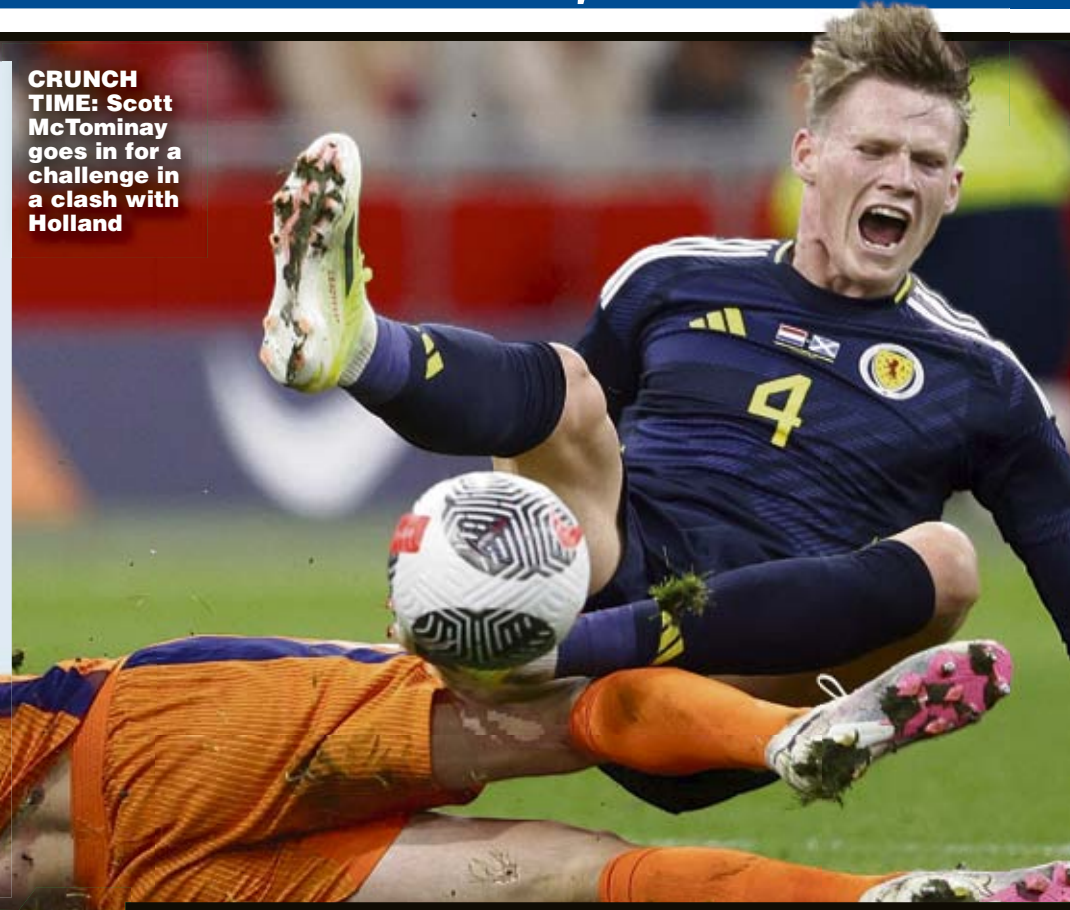
Captained by Liverpool's attack-minded midfielder Szoboszlai, Hungary have reached a third straight Euros finals for the first time. The fixtures against Switzerland and Scotland, which sandwich their clash with the hosts will be key to hopes of further progress for the Magyars, who could be one of the tournament's dark horses.

### SWITZERLAND

**COACH:** MURAT YAKIN  
**KEY PLAYER:** XHERDAN SHAQIRI  
**EUROS BEST:** QUARTER-FINALS (2020)

Switzerland made the last-eight at Euro 2020 after beating then world champions France on penalties. Could ex-Liverpool frontman Shaqiri, former Arsenal captain Granit Xhaka and Newcastle defender Fabian Schar all be set for their international swansong?

**CRUNCH TIME:** Scott McTominay goes in for a challenge in a clash with Holland



## GROUP B

### SPAIN

**COACH:** LUIS DE LA FUENTE  
**KEY PLAYER:** RODRI (left)  
**EUROS BEST:** WINNERS (1964, 2008, 2012)

Having taken over from Luis Enrique after Spain were knocked out of the World Cup, former Under-21s boss De la Fuente stepped in to oversee a successful Euros qualifying campaign. The squad still have plenty of depth and also rising talent as La Roja seek a record fourth European Championship title – despite being in the proverbial 'Group of Death'.

### CROATIA

**COACH:** ZLATKO DALIC  
**KEY PLAYER:** LUKA MODRIC  
**EUROS BEST:** QUARTER-FINALS (1996, 2008)

Croatia continue to punch above their weight under long-term coach Dalic, building on third place at the 2022 World

Cup to finish runners-up in the Nations League. Can veteran Real Madrid playmaker Modric help push Croatia past the last eight of the Euros for the first time?

### ITALY

**COACH:** LUCIANO SPALLETTI  
**KEY PLAYER:** NICOLO BARELLA  
**EUROS BEST:** WINNERS (1968, 2020)

The defending champions – who beat England on penalties in the final at Wembley three years ago – finished behind Gareth Southgate's team in their qualifying group, having started the campaign under Roberto Mancini before Spalletti got the Azzurri over the line.

### ALBANIA

**COACH:** SYLVINHO  
**KEY PLAYER:** JASIR ASANI  
**EUROS BEST:** GROUP STAGE (2016)

The Eagles – managed by former Arsenal full-back Sylvinho – topped their qualifying group ahead of the Czech Republic to secure a second major tournament appearance. Albania's challenge should not be taken too lightly, with Chelsea's Armando Broja hoping to lead the line.

## GROUP D

### FRANCE

**COACH:** DIDIER DESCHAMPS  
**KEY PLAYER:** KYLIAN MBAPPE (right)  
**EUROS BEST:** WINNERS (1984, 2000)

Les Bleus head to Germany as one of the tournament favourites after sweeping through qualifying unbeaten ahead of Holland. Deschamps' squad boasts an array of talent, with Mbappe again expected to push them on through the knockout stage.

### HOLLAND

**COACH:** RONALD KOEMAN  
**KEY PLAYER:** VIRGIL VAN DIJK  
**EUROS BEST:** WINNERS (1988)

Oranje boss Koeman – who was part of the Dutch squad which won Euro '88 – guided his team to the Nations League finals on home soil last summer. Can Liverpool defender Van Dijk lead the current crop on to glory in Germany?

### POLAND

**COACH:** MICHAL PROBIERZ  
**KEY PLAYER:** ROBERT LEWANDOWSKI  
**EUROS BEST:** QUARTER-FINALS (2016)

After finishing only third in qualifying, Poland had to come through the play-offs – edging past Wales after a dramatic penalty shoot-out in Cardiff. Nevertheless, with talisman Lewandowski leading the attack, the Poles remain in with a shout of making it to the last 16.

### AUSTRIA

**COACH:** RALF RANGNICK  
**KEY PLAYER:** MARCEL SABITZER  
**EUROS BEST:** LAST 16 (2020)

Former Manchester United interim boss Rangnick took Austria through as group runners-up in qualifying behind Belgium. Austria beat Germany in a friendly last November, but hopes of further progress this summer look to have been hampered by a serious knee injury for captain David Alaba.



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# START WITH THE SAME GOAL – TO ESCAPE THEIR GROUP

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## GROUP C

### ENGLAND

**COACH:** GARETH SOUTHGATE (*inset*)

**KEY PLAYER:** JUDE BELLINGHAM

**EUROS BEST:** RUNNERS-UP (2020)

England continued their impressive qualification record with another unbeaten campaign, conceding just four goals. With Harry Kane fronting an array of attacking talent – including Phil Foden, Bukayo Saka, Cole Palmer and Bellingham – there is real hope they can end a 58-year wait for a major trophy.



### DENMARK

**COACH:** KASPER HJULMAND

**KEY PLAYER:** RASMUS HOJLUND

**EUROS BEST:** WINNERS (1992)

Denmark also topped their qualifying group – albeit only on head-to-head record over Slovenia – as Hjulmand's squad looked to recover from a disappointing 2022 World Cup in Qatar. The goals of Manchester United forward Højlund will be key to their chances.

### SERBIA

**COACH:** DRAGAN STOJKOVIC

**KEY PLAYER:** ALEKSANDAR MITROVIC

**EUROS BEST:** QUARTER-FINALS (2000, AS SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO)

After a poor World Cup, where they finished bottom of their group in Qatar, Stojkovic's side made it through to a first Euros finals since 2000, then as Serbia and Montenegro. There is plenty of talent in the squad, which includes former Fulham striker Mitrovic, AC Milan forward Luka Jovic and are led by ex-Southampton and Ajax creative midfielder Dusan Tadic.

### SLOVENIA

**COACH:** MATJAZ KEK

**KEY PLAYER:** BENJAMIN SESKO

**EUROS BEST:** GROUP STAGE (2000)

Captained by veteran Atletico Madrid goalkeeper Jan Oblak, Slovenia are through to a first major tournament since the 2010 World Cup. While hopes of making history by getting into the knockout stage look a long shot, RB Leipzig forward Benjamin Sesko will be one to watch.



**SLIDE RULE:**  
Jude Bellingham stretches to get in a shot for England

### BELGIUM

**COACH:** DOMENICO TEDESCO

**KEY PLAYER:** KEVIN DE BRUYNE (*right*)

**EUROS BEST:** RUNNERS-UP (1980)

Red Devils manager Tedesco has slowly put his mark on the squad since taking over in February 2023. The players may no longer be such a 'golden generation' but with Manchester City playmaker De Bruyne still pulling the strings in midfield and Arsenal forward Leandro Trossard among the goals, Belgium could be set for another deep run.

### UKRAINE

**COACH:** SERHIY REBROV

**KEY PLAYER:** ARTEM DOVBYK

**EUROS BEST:** QUARTER-FINALS (2020)

Ukraine progressed through two play-off games as a late goal from Chelsea winger Mykhailo Mudryk beat Iceland to book their spot in Germany. Appearing at a first major international tournament since Russia's invasion in 2022, Rebrov's squad – with Girona striker Dovbyk in good form – will have plenty of support.

### ROMANIA

**COACH:** EDWARD IORDANESCU

**KEY PLAYER:** GEORGE PUSCAS

**EUROS BEST:** QUARTER-FINALS (2000)

After an impressive qualification campaign as unbeaten group winners ahead of Switzerland, Romania – with Tottenham central defender Radu Dragusin in the squad – will be hoping to make an impact at a first tournament since 2016.

### SLOVAKIA

**COACH:** FRANCESCO CALZONA

**KEY PLAYER:** ONDREJ DUDA

**EUROS BEST:** LAST 16 (2016)

Slovakia finished behind Portugal in qualifying – with manager Calzona having successfully combined international duties towards the end of the campaign after taking over at Napoli – and reached a third consecutive Euro finals. However, hopes of getting out of the group, as they did in 2016, appear remote.



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## GROUP F

### PORTUGAL

**COACH:** ROBERTO MARTINEZ (*left*)

**KEY PLAYER:** CRISTIANO RONALDO

**EUROS BEST:** WINNERS (2016)

With former Belgium manager Martinez in charge, Portugal coasted through qualifying with a perfect record – the only team to win all 10 games – and conceded just two goals. Tougher opposition awaits in Germany, which will be the 11th major tournament finals for 39-year-old Ronaldo.

### CZECH REPUBLIC

**COACH:** IVAN HASEK

**KEY PLAYER:** PATRIK SCHICK

**EUROS BEST:** RUNNERS-UP (1996)

The Czechs have proved consistent qualifiers for the Euros since reaching the 1996 final at Wembley, making it through for an eighth successive appearance. Hasek's squad have plenty of experience – including West Ham's Tomas Soucek and Bayer Leverkusen forward Schick – which could see them escape the group.



### TURKEY

**COACH:** VINCENZO MONTELLA

**KEY PLAYER:** HAKAN CALHANOGU

**EUROS BEST:** SEMI-FINALS (2008)

After topping their qualifying group ahead of Croatia and Wales, Montella's squad will be focused on avoiding another early tournament exit – a fate they have suffered in the past two Euros finals. Inter Milan midfielder Calhanoglu will again be at the heart of the side, with Real Madrid's Arda Guler aiming to shine on the big stage.

### GEORGIA

**COACH:** WILLY SAGNOL

**KEY PLAYER:** KHVICHIA KVARATSKHELIA

**EUROS BEST:** FIRST APPEARANCE

Despite finishing fourth in qualifying, Sagnol's side went into the play-offs on the back of their Nations League campaign. Georgia defied the odds to reach a first international competition as an independent nation by beating Luxembourg and then Greece on penalties. Napoli forward Kvaratskhelia will carry his country's hopes.



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William HILL



| GROUP A                               |  | GERMANY | SCOTLAND    |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------|-------------|
|                                       |  | HUNGARY | SWITZERLAND |
| GERMANY                               |  |         |             |
| SCOTLAND                              |  |         |             |
| Munich Football Arena                 |  |         |             |
| TODAY, KICK-OFF 8pm (ITV)             |  |         |             |
| GERMANY                               |  |         |             |
| HUNGARY                               |  |         |             |
| Stuttgart Arena                       |  |         |             |
| WEDNESDAY JUNE 19, KICK-OFF 5pm (BBC) |  |         |             |
| SWITZERLAND                           |  |         |             |
| GERMANY                               |  |         |             |
| Frankfurt Arena                       |  |         |             |
| SUNDAY JUNE 23, KICK-OFF 8pm (BBC)    |  |         |             |
| HUNGARY                               |  |         |             |
| SCOTLAND                              |  |         |             |
| Cologne Stadium                       |  |         |             |
| TOMORROW, KICK-OFF 2pm (ITV)          |  |         |             |
| SCOTLAND                              |  |         |             |
| SWITZERLAND                           |  |         |             |
| Cologne Stadium                       |  |         |             |
| WEDNESDAY JUNE 19, KICK-OFF 8pm (BBC) |  |         |             |
| SCOTLAND                              |  |         |             |
| HUNGARY                               |  |         |             |
| Stuttgart Arena                       |  |         |             |
| SUNDAY JUNE 23, KICK-OFF 8pm (BBC)    |  |         |             |

| GROUP B                               |  | SPAIN | CROATIA |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------|---------|
|                                       |  | ITALY | ALBANIA |
| SPAIN                                 |  |       |         |
| CROATIA                               |  |       |         |
| Olympiastadion Berlin                 |  |       |         |
| TOMORROW, KICK-OFF 5pm (ITV)          |  |       |         |
| CROATIA                               |  |       |         |
| ALBANIA                               |  |       |         |
| Volksparkstadion Hamburg              |  |       |         |
| WEDNESDAY JUNE 19, KICK-OFF 2pm (ITV) |  |       |         |
| CROATIA                               |  |       |         |
| ITALY                                 |  |       |         |
| Leipzig Stadium                       |  |       |         |
| MONDAY JUNE 24, KICK-OFF 8pm (BBC)    |  |       |         |
| ITALY                                 |  |       |         |
| ALBANIA                               |  |       |         |
| BVB Stadion Dortmund                  |  |       |         |
| TOMORROW, KICK-OFF 8pm (BBC)          |  |       |         |
| SPAIN                                 |  |       |         |
| ITALY                                 |  |       |         |
| Arena AufSchalke                      |  |       |         |
| THURSDAY JUNE 20, KICK-OFF 8pm (ITV)  |  |       |         |
| ALBANIA                               |  |       |         |
| SPAIN                                 |  |       |         |
| Dusseldorf Arena                      |  |       |         |
| MONDAY JUNE 24, KICK-OFF 8pm (BBC)    |  |       |         |

| GROUP C                              |  | SLOVENIA | SERBIA  |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------|---------|
|                                      |  | DENMARK  | ENGLAND |
| SLOVENIA                             |  |          |         |
| DENMARK                              |  |          |         |
| Stuttgart Arena                      |  |          |         |
| SUNDAY JUNE 16, KICK-OFF 5pm (ITV)   |  |          |         |
| SLOVENIA                             |  |          |         |
| SERBIA                               |  |          |         |
| Munich Football Arena                |  |          |         |
| THURSDAY JUNE 20, KICK-OFF 2pm (ITV) |  |          |         |
| ENGLAND                              |  |          |         |
| SLOVENIA                             |  |          |         |
| Cologne Stadium                      |  |          |         |
| TUESDAY JUNE 25, KICK-OFF 8pm (ITV)  |  |          |         |
| SERBIA                               |  |          |         |
| ENGLAND                              |  |          |         |
| Arena AufSchalke                     |  |          |         |
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| DENMARK                              |  |          |         |
| ENGLAND                              |  |          |         |
| Frankfurt Arena                      |  |          |         |
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| DENMARK                              |  |          |         |
| SERBIA                               |  |          |         |
| Munich Football Arena                |  |          |         |
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| GROUP D                             |  | POLAND  | HOLLAND |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------|---------|
|                                     |  | AUSTRIA | FRANCE  |
| POLAND                              |  |         |         |
| HOLLAND                             |  |         |         |
| Volksparkstadion Hamburg            |  |         |         |
| SUNDAY JUNE 16, KICK-OFF 2pm (BBC)  |  |         |         |
| POLAND                              |  |         |         |
| AUSTRIA                             |  |         |         |
| Olympiastadion Berlin               |  |         |         |
| FRIDAY JUNE 21, KICK-OFF 5pm (ITV)  |  |         |         |
| HOLLAND                             |  |         |         |
| AUSTRIA                             |  |         |         |
| Olympiastadion Berlin               |  |         |         |
| TUESDAY JUNE 25, KICK-OFF 5pm (BBC) |  |         |         |
| FRANCE                              |  |         |         |
| POLAND                              |  |         |         |
| BVB Stadion Dortmund                |  |         |         |
| TUESDAY JUNE 25, KICK-OFF 5pm (BBC) |  |         |         |
| AUSTRIA                             |  |         |         |
| FRANCE                              |  |         |         |
| Leipzig Stadium                     |  |         |         |
| FRIDAY JUNE 21, KICK-OFF 8pm (BBC)  |  |         |         |
| HOLLAND                             |  |         |         |
| FRANCE                              |  |         |         |
| Dusseldorf Arena                    |  |         |         |
| MONDAY JUNE 17, KICK-OFF 8pm (ITV)  |  |         |         |

| GROUP E                               |  | BELGIUM | SLOVAKIA |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------|----------|
|                                       |  | ROMANIA | UKRAINE  |
| ROMANIA                               |  |         |          |
| UKRAINE                               |  |         |          |
| Munich Football Arena                 |  |         |          |
| MONDAY JUNE 17, KICK-OFF 2pm (BBC)    |  |         |          |
| SLOVAKIA                              |  |         |          |
| UKRAINE                               |  |         |          |
| Dusseldorf Arena                      |  |         |          |
| FRIDAY JUNE 21, KICK-OFF 2pm (BBC)    |  |         |          |
| SLOVAKIA                              |  |         |          |
| ROMANIA                               |  |         |          |
| Frankfurt Arena                       |  |         |          |
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| BELGIUM                               |  |         |          |
| SLOVAKIA                              |  |         |          |
| Frankfurt Arena                       |  |         |          |
| MONDAY JUNE 17, KICK-OFF 5pm (ITV)    |  |         |          |
| BELGIUM                               |  |         |          |
| ROMANIA                               |  |         |          |
| Cologne Stadium                       |  |         |          |
| SATURDAY JUNE 22, KICK-OFF 8pm (ITV)  |  |         |          |
| UKRAINE                               |  |         |          |
| BELGIUM                               |  |         |          |
| Stuttgart Arena                       |  |         |          |
| WEDNESDAY JUNE 26, KICK-OFF 5pm (BBC) |  |         |          |

| GROUP F                               |  | TURKEY   | GEORGIA   |
|---------------------------------------|--|----------|-----------|
|                                       |  | PORTUGAL | CZECH REP |
| TURKEY                                |  |          |           |
| GEORGIA                               |  |          |           |
| BVB Stadion Dortmund                  |  |          |           |
| TUESDAY JUNE 18, KICK-OFF 5pm (BBC)   |  |          |           |
| GEORGIA                               |  |          |           |
| CZECH REP                             |  |          |           |
| Volksparkstadion Hamburg              |  |          |           |
| SATURDAY JUNE 22, KICK-OFF 2pm (BBC)  |  |          |           |
| CZECH REP                             |  |          |           |
| TURKEY                                |  |          |           |
| Volksparkstadion Hamburg              |  |          |           |
| WEDNESDAY JUNE 26, KICK-OFF 8pm (ITV) |  |          |           |
| PORTUGAL                              |  |          |           |
| GEORGIA                               |  |          |           |
| Arena AufSchalke                      |  |          |           |
| WEDNESDAY JUNE 26, KICK-OFF 8pm (ITV) |  |          |           |
| TURKEY                                |  |          |           |
| CZECH REP                             |  |          |           |
| Leipzig Stadium                       |  |          |           |
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| GROUP A TABLE |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |  |  |  |
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| GROUP B TABLE |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |  |  |  |
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|               | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |  |  |  |
| Spain         | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Croatia       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Italy         | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Albania       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |

| GROUP C TABLE |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |  |  |  |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|--|--|--|
|               | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |  |  |  |
| Slovenia      | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Serbia        | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Denmark       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| England       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |

| GROUP D TABLE |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |  |  |  |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|--|--|--|
|               | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |  |  |  |
| Poland        | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Holland       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Austria       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| France        | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |

| GROUP E TABLE |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |  |  |  |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|--|--|--|
|               | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |  |  |  |
| Belgium       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Slovakia      | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Romania       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Ukraine       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |

| GROUP F TABLE |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |  |  |  |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|--|--|--|
|               | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |  |  |  |
| Turkey        | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Georgia       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Portugal      | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |
| Czech rep     | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   |  |  |  |

ROUND OF 16

| GAME 37  | 1A | V | 2C       |
|--|----|---|----------|
| BVB Stadion Dortmund SATURDAY JUNE 29, KICK-OFF 8pm (Dortmund) |    |   |          |
| GAME 39  | 1B | V | 3A/D/E/F |
| Cologne Stadium SUNDAY JUNE 30, KICK-OFF 8pm (Cologne)         |    |   |          |
| GAME 41  | 1F | V | 3A/B/C   |
| Frankfurt Arena MONDAY JULY 1, KICK-OFF 8pm (Frankfurt)        |    |   |          |
| GAME 43  | 1E | V | 3A/B/C/D |
| Munich Football Arena TUESDAY JULY 2, KICK-OFF 5pm (Munich)    |    |   |          |

| GAME 38   | 2A | V | 2B     |
|---|----|---|--------|
| Olympiastadion Berlin SATURDAY JUNE 29, KICK-OFF 5pm (Berlin) |    |   |        |
| GAME 40   | 1C | V | 3D/E/F |
| Arena AufSchalke SUNDAY JUNE 30, KICK-OFF 5pm (Gelsenkirchen) |    |   |        |
| GAME 42   | 2D | V | 2E     |
| Dusseldorf Arena MONDAY JULY 1, KICK-OFF 5pm (Dusseldorf)     |    |   |        |
| GAME 44   | 1D | V | 2F     |
| Leipzig Stadium TUESDAY JULY 2, KICK-OFF 8pm (Leipzig)        |    |   |        |

QUARTER-FINALS

| GAME 45  | W39 | V | W37 |
|--|-----|---|-----|
| Stuttgart Arena FRIDAY JULY 5, KICK-OFF 5pm (Stuttgart)      |     |   |     |
| GAME 47  | W43 | V | W44 |
| Olympiastadion Berlin SATURDAY JULY 6, KICK-OFF 8pm (Berlin) |     |   |     |

| GAME 46  | W41 | V | W42 |
|--|-----|---|-----|
| Volksparkstadion Hamburg FRIDAY JULY 5, KICK-OFF 8pm (Hamburg) |     |   |     |
| GAME 48  | W40 | V | W38 |
| Dusseldorf Arena SATURDAY JULY 6, KICK-OFF 5pm (Dusseldorf)    |     |   |     |

SEMI-FINALS

| GAME 49   | W45       | V | W46       |
|---|-----------|---|-----------|
| Munich Football Arena TUESDAY JULY 9, KICK-OFF 8pm (Munich)     |           |   |           |
| GAME 50   | W47       | V | W48       |
| BVB Stadion Dortmund WEDNESDAY JULY 10, KICK-OFF 8pm (Dortmund) |           |   |           |
| FINAL   |           |   |           |
| GAME 51   | WINNER 49 | V | WINNER 50 |
| Olympiastadion Berlin SUNDAY JULY 14, KICK-OFF 8pm (Berlin)     |           |   |           |





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the stage for  
all the drama

## BERLIN

### OLYMPIASTADION

Germany's capital will host the final on July 14, one of the quarter-finals and three group games. Home to Hertha Berlin, it is the tournament's biggest venue and staged the 2006 World Cup final and the 2015 Champions League final.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Spain v Croatia (June 15, 5pm), Poland v Austria (June 21, 5pm), Holland v Austria (June 25, 5pm); Last 16: 2A v 2B (June 29, 5pm); Quarter-final (July 6, 8pm); Final (July 14, 8pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 71,000**

## COLOGNE

### COLOGNE STADIUM

Both England and Scotland play one of their group games in Cologne, which will also host one of the last-16 matches.

Home to FC Cologne since 1923, it was redeveloped to stage matches at the 2006 World Cup.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Hungary v Switzerland (June 15, 2pm), Scotland v Switzerland (June 19, 8pm), Belgium v Romania (June 22, 8pm), England v Slovenia (June 25, 8pm); Last 16: 1B v 3A/D/E/F (June 30, 8pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 43,000**

## DORTMUND

### BVB STADIUM DORTMUND

The 81,000-capacity stadium will hold just over 60,000 for the Euros due to international regulations. The 'Yellow Wall', Europe's biggest standing terrace, will be all-seated.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Italy v Albania (June 15, 8pm), Turkey v Georgia (June 18, 5pm), Turkey v Portugal (June 22, 5pm), France v Poland (June 25, 5pm); Last 16: 1A v 2C (June 29, 8pm); Semi-final (July 10, 8pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 62,000**

## DUSSELDORF

### DUSSELDORF ARENA

Home to Fortuna Dusseldorf, the arena has a retractable roof and opened in 2004 when it replaced the Rheinstadion.

It was not one of the chosen venues for the 2006 World Cup, but has since hosted international matches.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Austria v France (June 17, 8pm), Slovakia v Ukraine (June 21, 2pm), Albania v Spain (June 24, 8pm); Last 16: 2D v 2E (July 1, 5pm); Quarter-final (July 6, 5pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 47,000**

## FRANKFURT

### FRANKFURT ARENA

Built in 1925, the stadium also has a retractable roof following several upgrades.

England play Denmark here in the group stage. It hosted matches at Euro '88 and the 2006 World Cup, and staged two NFL games last year.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Belgium v Slovakia (June 17, 5pm), Denmark v England (June 20, 5pm), Switzerland v Germany (June 23, 8pm), Slovakia v Romania (June 26, 5pm); Last 16: 1F v 3A/B/C (July 1, 8pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 47,000**

## GELSENKIRCHEN

### ARENA AUFSCHALKE

Another venue with a retractable roof, this one also has a slide-out pitch. Built in 2001 to replace Schalke's outdated Parkstadion, it will host England's opening group game. It was here that Wayne Rooney was sent off against Portugal at the 2006 World Cup.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Serbia v England (June 16, 8pm), Spain v Italy (June 20, 8pm), Georgia v Portugal (June 26, 8pm); Last 16: 1Cv 3D/E/F (June 30, 5pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 50,000**

## HAMBURG

### VOLKSPARKSTADION

Germany's second largest city will stage four group games and a quarter-final. Hosted the 2010 Europa League final,

which Fulham lost 2-1 to Atletico Madrid, and a 2006 World Cup quarter-final. Hamburg have played there since 1963.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Poland v Holland (June 16, 2pm), Croatia v Albania (June 19, 2pm), Georgia v Czech Republic (June 22, 2pm), Czech Republic v Turkey (June 26, 8pm); Quarter-final (July 5, 8pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 49,000**

## LEIPZIG

### LEIPZIG STADIUM

The largest football venue in eastern Germany was rebuilt in 2004 and renovated in

2015. It was a 2006 World Cup venue and has been home to Bundesliga side RB Leipzig since the 2009-10 season.

Three group games and a last-16 tie will be staged there.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Portugal v Czech Republic (June 18, 8pm), Holland v France (June 21, 8pm), Croatia v Italy (June 24, 8pm); Last 16: 1D v 2F (July 2, 8pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 40,000**

## MUNICH

### MUNICH FOOTBALL ARENA

Bayern Munich's home stadium will host six games, including a semi-final and Scotland's opener against the hosts. Chelsea beat Bayern on penalties to win the 2012 Champions League final here.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Germany v Scotland (June 14, 8pm), Romania v Ukraine (June 17, 2pm), Slovenia v Serbia (June 20, 2pm), Denmark v Serbia (June 25, 8pm); Last 16: 1E v 3A/B/C/D (July 2, 5pm); Semi-final (July 9, 8pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 66,000**

## STUTTGART

### STUTTGART ARENA

Has a long tradition of staging major sporting events, dating back to the 1959 European Cup final. It was a venue for the 1974 and 2006 World Cups and hosted the 1993 World Athletics Championships.

Scotland play Hungary here.

**MATCHES:** Group stage: Slovenia v Denmark (June 16, 5pm), Germany v Hungary (June 19, 5pm), Scotland v Hungary (June 23, 8pm), Ukraine v Belgium (June 26, 5pm); Quarter-final (July 5, 5pm).

**STADIUM CAPACITY: 51,000**





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NEW KIDS ON BLOCK READY TO DAZZLE

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Twenty years ago Cristiano Ronaldo and Wayne Rooney announced themselves on the international stage at the first major tournament for both players.

Then teenagers, they faced each other at Euro 2004 in Portugal with Ronaldo scoring for the hosts in a quarter-final penalty shoot-out after England's Rooney had gone off injured.

A few weeks later Rooney left Everton to sign for Manchester United and begin a strike partnership with Ronaldo that reaped rich rewards.

Over the next few weeks some of the new breed of international talent will showcase their skills in Germany, as they take the next step in what may be long and glorious careers.

But before England fans start thinking that Jude Bellingham, Cole Palmer, Kobbie Mainoo and Adam Wharton give them a monopoly on the youth market, we take a look at some of the new kids on the block from other nations at these Euros who, a month from now, could be the names on everyone's lips.



# THE YOUNG GUNS

LAMINE YAMAL



COUNTRY: Spain AGE: 16

The final will be played in Berlin one day after this amazing talent turns 17. That would be quite the weekend. The left-footed Barcelona winger has been compared to Lionel Messi with his preference to play wide right and come inside, providing a pacy threat to defenders - but it is his passing and ability to bring others into play that grabs the attention. Made his Spain debut last September at 16 years and 57 days, becoming his country's youngest player and goalscorer against Georgia. A product of Barcelona's La Masia academy, he missed just one league game last term and played in 10 Champions League matches. World, look out.

BRADLEY BARCOLA



COUNTRY: France AGE: 21

Kylian Mbappe hogged the limelight in his final season at Paris Saint-Germain but what a year it was for this youngster, who can play anywhere across the front three. Barcola left Lyon for the French capital last August, scored his first Champions League goal in February against Real Sociedad then, in May, received his first France call-up. Made his debut as a substitute nine minutes from time against Luxembourg on June 5 and that was time enough to claim his first international assist, setting up Mbappe to score in a 3-0 win.



ARDA GULER



COUNTRY: Turkey AGE: 19

Wales fans need no reminding of this teenager's quality. Then 18, Guler scored his first international goal last June with an outrageous curling effort against the Welsh in a Euro 2024 qualifier. Two weeks later Real Madrid signed the winger from Fenerbahce to join Jude Bellingham in their summer spending spree. Injury kept Guler out until January but he made up for lost time, scoring on his first league start and finding the net six times in 12 games - including four in three to end the season. He arrives in Germany on great form.



XAVI SIMONS



COUNTRY: Holland AGE: 21

A surprise inclusion in the Dutch squad for Qatar 2022, he played just seven minutes but has already lived a life in the spotlight. Signed a deal with Nike at 13, moved to Adidas at 18, then Puma last year. Starred with Neymar, Kevin De Bruyne, Ronaldinho, Philippe Coutinho and Andrea Pirlo in Nike's Awaken the Phantom advert aged 15 and by 16 he had two million Instagram followers. Can he play? Ten goals and 13 assists for RB Leipzig on loan from PSV Eindhoven last season certainly suggests he can. This would be a good time to shine.



FLORIAN WIRTZ



COUNTRY: Germany AGE: 21

Would have gone to Qatar as a teenager if not for an ACL injury but he returned to star for Bayer Leverkusen as they won the Bundesliga last season without losing a game. Wirtz has a great engine and gets all over the pitch from his role as an attacking midfielder. He is also comfortable playing wide on the left where his desire to get forward at pace causes problems. France will be wary if they run into Germany - it was Wirtz who three months ago scored after just seven seconds when he worked a trick move from the kick off with Toni Kroos and smashed home from 25 yards.



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